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| 1 | [There is no reportable action as a result of the |
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| 2 | Board of Supervisors, closed session held today.] |
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| 6 | SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: THE MEETING WILL PLEASE COME TO ORDER. THE |
| 7 | PRAYER WILL BE BY PASTOR JAMES SCHOENROCK FROM EMMANUEL |
| 8 | LUTHERAN CHURCH, NORTH HOLLYWOOD, FROM THE FIRST DISTRICT. THE |
| 9 | PLEDGE BY LEVON BROOKS, PETE VALDEZ, SR. POST NUMBER 2, |
| 10 | AM.VETS., CULVER CITY, FROM THE SECOND DISTRICT. |
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| 12 | PASTOR JAMES SCHOENROCK: THANK YOU. LET US PAUSE FOR PRAYER. |
| 13 | PLEASE STAND. ALMIGHTY CREATOR AND SUSTAINER OF LIFE AND HUMAN |
| 14 | COMMUNITY, WE CALL UPON YOUR PRESENCE THIS DAY TO GUIDE THIS |
| 15 | MEETING OF OUR COUNTY LEADERSHIP. MAY THEIR DECISIONS BE |
| 16 | GUIDED BY THE TRUST WE PLACE IN THEM, THE CONCERN FOR THE |
| 17 | COMMON WELFARE OF ALL THE CITIZENS THEY SERVE, AND THE |
| 18 | KNOWLEDGE OF WHAT IS GOOD AND BENEFICIAL. WE CANNOT KNOW HOW |
| 19 | DIFFICULT AND COMPLEX THE TASK OF GOVERNING THE LARGEST AND |
| 20 | MOST POPULATED COUNTY IN OUR NATION MUST BE. SO WE AS |
| 21 | RESIDENTS MUST BE THANKFUL NOT ONLY FOR THE COUNTLESS HOURS OF |
| 22 | SERVICE THEY SPEND BUT ALSO FOR THE COMBINED SERVICE OF ALL |
| 23 | THEIR STAFF AND THE MANY EMPLOYEES WHOSE LABOR FOR THIS COUNTY |
| 24 | OF LOS ANGELES. BE IT EVER MINDFUL OF ALL THAT MUST BE |
| 25 | ACCOMPLISHED. MAY YOU BLESS THIS DAY'S DELIBERATIONS IN THE |



- 1 NAME OF ALL THAT IS RIGHTEOUS AND IN WHICH WE PLACE OUR HOPE
- 2 FOR TOMORROW. AMEN.

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- 4 LEVON BROOKS: WOULD YOU PLEASE PLACE YOUR HAND OVER YOUR HEART
- 5 FOR OUR PLEDGE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

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7 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

- 9 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: MADAME CHAIR, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. COME ON
- 10 OVER HERE, PASTOR. WE WERE LED IN THE INVOCATION THIS MORNING
- 11 BY PASTOR JAMES SCHOENROCK, WHO HAS BEEN THE SENIOR PASTOR AT
- 12 THE EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF NORTH HOLLYWOOD FOR THE LAST
- 13 YEARS. THE CHURCH INCLUDES LAUREL HALL DAY SCHOOL, AN EARLY
- 14 CHILDHOOD CENTER WITH AN ENROLLMENT OF 750 CHILDREN FROM
- 15 PRESCHOOL THROUGH THE EIGHTH GRADE, MAKING IT ONE OF THE
- 16 LARGEST SCHOOLS IN THE VALLEY. HE HAS ALSO SERVED THE
- 17 COMMUNITY AS A THE PAST PRESIDENT OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF NORTH
- 18 HOLLYWOOD, A PAST MEMBER OF THE MIDTOWN NORTH HOLLYWOOD
- 19 NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL AND CO-CHAIR OF THE CLERGY COUNCIL FOR
- 20 NORTH HOLLYWOOD LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT DIVISION. PASTOR
- 21 SCHOENROCK HAS BEEN MARRIED TO HIS WIFE DIANE FOR 37 YEARS,
- 22 AND SHE'S A KINDERGARTEN TEACHER AT THE CHURCH'S SCHOOL IN
- 23 LAUREL HALL. SO, PASTOR, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR LEADING US IN
- 24 PRAYER THIS MORNING AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR
- 25 COMMUNITY AND OUR DISTRICT.



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2 PASTOR JAMES SCHOENROCK:

PASTOR JAMES SCHOENROCK: THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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- 4 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: WE ARE VERY PLEASED TO WELCOME AS OUR
- 5 PLEDGE VETERAN LEVON BROOKS. AND HE IS FROM THE AM. VETS. PETE
- 6 VALDEZ, SR. POST NUMBER 2 CULVER CITY. HE'S THIRD VICE
- 7 PRESIDENT. HE WAS IN THE MILITARY FROM '74 TO '78 AS A PRIVATE
- 8 FIRST CLASS IN THE ARMY, IN THE FIRST FIELD ARTILLERY 25TH
- 9 INFANTRY DIVISION. AND HE IS RETIRED. HE'S JOINED HERE BY HIS
- 10 FIANCEE, JACQUELINE HOLLY, AND SHE'S HERE IN THE FRONT ROW. HE
- 11 LIVED IN THE DISTRICT FOR 10 YEARS. HE WENT TO HIGH SCHOOL IN
- 12 FLORIDA AT JEFFERSON COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL. WELCOME. [APPLAUSE.]

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- 14 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: AS SOON AS WE'RE-- WE'LL START THE AGENDA.
- 15 WE'LL WAIT A SECOND FOR SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

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- 17 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE
- 18 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3, AGENDA FOR THE
- 19 MEETING OF THE SANITATION DISTRICT, NUMBER 27 AND 35, ITEMS 1
- 20 THROUGH 3.

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- 22 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: MOVED BY KNABE. SECONDED BY MOLINA. WITHOUT
- 23 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.



- 1 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY
- 2 DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEMS 1-D AND 2-D.

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- 4 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: MOVED BY MOLINA. SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY.
- 5 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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- 7 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE HOUSING
- 8 AUTHORITY, ITEMS 1-H THROUGH 3-H.

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- 10 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: MOVED BY YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY
- 11 ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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- 13 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE REGIONAL PARK
- 14 AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICTS, ITEMS 1-P AND 2-P. AND ON ITEM 1-P,
- 15 THIS ALSO INCLUDES THE CORRECTION AS INDICATED ON THE
- 16 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.

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- 18 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: MOVED BY ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY KNABE.
- 19 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

- 21 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 12.
- 22 ON ITEM NUMBER 9, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THIS
- 23 ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NUMBER 11, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
- 24 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. AND THE REMAINING
- 25 ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.



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2 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY MOLINA; WITHOUT

3 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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- 5 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS 13 THROUGH 42. ON
- 6 ITEM NUMBER 16, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
- 7 TO HOLD THIS ITEM. YES. ON ITEM NUMBER 17, AS INDICATED ON THE
- 8 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT
- 9 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO SEPTEMBER 16TH, 2008.

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11 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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- 13 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: ON ITEM NUMBER 18, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
- 14 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 22,
- 15 THIS INCLUDES THE REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
- 16 AGENDA, AND ALSO SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
- 17 REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NUMBER 24, AS
- 18 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE
- 19 OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO
- 20 SEPTEMBER 16TH, 2008.

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22 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: WITHOUT OBJECTION.

- 24 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: ON ITEM NUMBER 26, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
- 25 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 29,



- 1 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
- 2 ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 31, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS
- 3 THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT.

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5 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: WITHOUT OBJECTION, REFERRED BACK.

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- 7 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: ON ITEM NUMBER 32, THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF
- 8 PUBLIC WORKS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HIS
- 9 DEPARTMENT.

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- 11 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: ITEM 32 WILL BE REFERRED BACK WITHOUT
- 12 OBJECTION.

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- 14 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: ON ITEM NUMBER 35, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
- 15 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 36, THE
- 16 ACTING DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
- 17 REFERRED BACK TO HIS DEPARTMENT.

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- 19 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: ON 36, WITHOUT OBJECTION WILL BE RETURNED
- 20 BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT.

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- 22 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: ON ITEM NUMBER 42, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY
- 23 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO SEPTEMBER
- 24 16TH, 2008.



- 1 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: TO CLOSED SESSION? ALL RIGHT. ITEM 42 WILL
- 2 BE REFERRED TO CLOSED SESSION.

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- 4 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: THANK YOU. AND THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER
- 5 THE CONSENT CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

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- 7 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: MOVED BY MOLINA, SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY;
- 8 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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- 10 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: ON ITEM NUMBER 36, THAT WAS REFERRED BACK
- 11 TO THE DEPARTMENT.

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13 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: ON ITEM 32?

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- 15 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: 32 WAS ALSO REFERRED BACK TO THE
- 16 DEPARTMENT.

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- 18 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I KNOW. I DON'T NECESSARILY HAVE AN
- 19 OBJECTION TO THAT. I'D LIKE TO HAVE THE DIRECTOR, THE ACTING
- 20 DIRECTOR ANSWER A COUPLE QUESTIONS ABOUT THAT. I MOVE TO HOLD
- 21 IT, RECONSIDER AND WE HOLD IT. WE WILL REFER IT.

- 23 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: WITHOUT OBJECTION, MOVED BY YAROSLAVSKY,
- 24 SECONDED BY ANTONOVICH TO RECONSIDER ITEM 32. AND 32 WILL BE
- 25 HELD.



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- 2 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: WE ARE ON PAGE 22. ORDINANCE FOR
- 3 INTRODUCTION, ITEM 43. AND I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR
- 4 THE RECORD. THIS IS AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 6, SALARIES OF
- 5 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE RELATED TO BILINGUAL PAY
- 6 PROVISIONS, THE ADDITION, DELETION AND/OR CHANGING OF CERTAIN
- 7 CLASSIFICATIONS AND NUMBER OF ORDINANCE POSITIONS IN VARIOUS
- 8 DEPARTMENTS TO IMPLEMENT THE FINDINGS OF CLASSIFICATION
- 9 STUDIES AND TO MAKE MINOR TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS. THERE'S ALSO
- 10 A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

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12 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: THAT WILL BE HELD.

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- 14 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: ON SEPARATE MATTERS, ITEMS 44 AND 45, FOR
- 15 BOTH I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD. ON ITEM
- 16 NUMBER 44, THIS IS A TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR'S
- 17 RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE
- 18 AND SALE OF COMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT GENERAL
- 19 OBLIGATION BONDS 2002, ELECTION SERIES 2008-B IN AGGREGATE
- 20 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$15 MILLION.

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- 22 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: MOVED BY BURKE, SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY.
- 23 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.



- 1 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: ON ITEM 45, THIS IS THE TREASURER AND TAX
- 2 COLLECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE
- 3 ISSUANCE AND SALE OF LONG BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 2008
- 4 CAPITAL PROJECT NOTES IN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO
- 5 EXCEED \$50 MILLION.

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- 7 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY MOLINA. WITHOUT
- 8 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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- 10 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: ON PAGE 23, DISCUSSION ITEM, ITEM 46 WE
- 11 WILL HOLD FOR A PUBLIC HEARING. ON PAGE 24, MISCELLANEOUS
- 12 ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS
- 13 IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
- 14 AGENDA, ITEM 47-A.

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- 16 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: MOVED BY BURKE, SECONDED BY MOLINA. WITHOUT
- 17 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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- 19 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA.
- 20 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL
- 21 DISTRICT NUMBER 3.

- 23 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: I HAVE ONE PRESENTATION. I'M VERY PLEASED
- 24 TO EXTEND A WARM WELCOME TO THE HONORABLE DIANA STROFOVA.
- 25 SHE'S THE DEPUTY MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS FOR THE SLOVAK



- 1 REPUBLIC. SHE'S HERE ON HER VISIT TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SHE
- 2 SERVED AS A MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT FOR FOUR YEARS BECOMING
- 3 DEPUTY MINISTER. AND WHILE IN LOS ANGELES, SHE WILL MEET WITH
- 4 OUR SHERIFF TO STRENGTHEN AND EXPLORE NEW AREAS OF
- 5 COOPERATION. WE WELCOME YOUR EFFORTS AND HOPE THAT YOUR VISIT
- 6 WILL BE PLEASANT. AND I UNDERSTAND THAT YOU HAVE A LOT OF
- 7 BUSINESS RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE UNITED STATES AND WE'RE VERY
- 8 PLEASED TO WELCOME YOU TODAY. [APPLAUSE.]

- 10 DIANA STROFOVA: DISTINGUISHED MADAME CHAIR, DISTINGUISHED
- 11 MEMBERS OF THIS BOARD, DISTINGUISHED CITIZENS OF CALIFORNIA,
- 12 FIRST OF ALL, I WOULD LIKE TO BRING YOU THE WARMEST AND REALLY
- 13 THE HEARTFUL GREETING FROM MY NATION, FROM SLOVAKS. I'M COMING
- 14 FROM A SMALL COUNTRY JUST IN THE MIDDLE OF EUROPE. THIS
- 15 COUNTRY IS BEAUTIFUL. IT STARTS BY BEAUTIFUL MOUNTAINS, GOES
- 16 THROUGH BEAUTIFUL MEADOWS AND VALLEYS. AND IT ENDS IN
- 17 BEAUTIFUL CITIES AND VILLAGES. WE ARE A VERY HEARTFUL AND
- 18 PEACEFUL PEOPLE. HERE IN CALIFORNIA I WAS ON A VISIT. MY
- 19 PRESIDENT, MR. GASPAROVIC AND I, ARE MAKING SOME FOLLOW UP OF
- 20 HIS VISITS AND WOULD LIKE TO FILL HIS MESSAGE THAT RELATIONS
- 21 BETWEEN SLOVAKIA AND THE UNITED STATES ARE VERY WARM, AND WE
- 22 SHOULD BUILD UP ON THE VERY SERIOUS AND GOOD FRAME THAT WAS
- 23 STARTED ALREADY IN THE LONG HISTORY. MY COUNTRY REPRESENTS ONE
- 24 OF THE SMALL COUNTRIES IN EUROPE WHICH WENT THROUGH TREMENDOUS
- 25 CHANGES WITH A LOT OF REFORM OF SOCIAL, HEALTH, SCHOOL SYSTEM.



- 1 AND TODAY WE ARE READY TO COMPETE WITHIN ALL THE EUROPEAN
- 2 UNION. I'M VERY PROUD TO REPRESENT TODAY MY COUNTRY IN FRONT
- 3 OF YOU AND OFFER YOU A POSSIBILITY TO LEARN SOMETHING MORE
- 4 ABOUT US. MAYBE ALSO INSPIRE YOU TO TRAVEL TO SLOVAKIA, LIKE
- 5 ON TOURISTIC, SO ON BUSINESS REASONS, BECAUSE TO BE HONEST,
- 6 THERE ARE ALREADY MANY OF U.S. COMPANIES COMING TO SLOVAK
- 7 REPUBLIC TO UNDERTAKE. AND THERE ARE MANY SLOVAKIAN
- 8 ENTREPRENEURS EXPLORING NOT ONLY THE TERRITORY OF THE EAST
- 9 CORRIDOR, BUT ALSO WEST CORRIDOR OF THE UNITED STATES. SO I'LL
- 10 BE VERY PLEASED TO SEE ALL OF YOU IN SLOVAKIA IN MAYBE A SHORT
- 11 PERIOD SO THAT WE CAN DEVELOP EVEN BETTER RELATIONS BETWEEN
- 12 OUR TWO SIDES AND REALLY ONE MORE TIME, ALL THE BEST FROM THE
- 13 CITIZENS OF SLOVAK REPUBLIC.

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15 **SUP:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

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- 17 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR MOLINA? SUPERVISOR KNABE.
- 18 [APPLAUSE.]

- 20 SUP. KNABE: THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
- 21 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IT IS MY PRIVILEGE TO WELCOME A COUPLE
- 22 SPECIAL GUESTS THIS MORNING. AND FIRST OF ALL I'D LIKE TO ASK
- 23 PAM LEESTMA TO JOIN ME HERE. TODAY WE ARE RECOGNIZING PAM FOR
- 24 BEING SELECTED AS ONE OF THE FIVE SCHOOL TEACHERS IN THE
- 25 UNITED STATES TO RECEIVE THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION'S



- 1 NATIONAL AMERICAN STARS OF TEACHING AWARD. SHE'S GOING TO
- 2 RECEIVE THIS HONOR AT THE NATIONAL PRIVATE SCHOOLS CONFERENCE
- 3 ON SEPTEMBER 26TH IN WASHINGTON, D.C. PAM HAS BEEN TEACHING
- 4 FOR 33 YEARS, HAS BEEN PRESIDENT OF THE SOUTHWEST CHRISTIAN
- 5 TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION. SHE CURRENTLY TEACHES SECOND GRADE AT
- 6 VALLEY CHRISTIAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN BELLFLOWER WHERE SHE
- 7 INCORPORATES HER LOVE OF SPACE INTO HER CURRICULUM. SHE
- 8 ATTENDED THE N.A.S.A. WORKSHOP AT EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE IN
- 9 2002 WHICH ALLOWED HER TO DEVELOP A PROGRAM FOR PROMOTING
- 10 GLOBAL FRIENDSHIP WITH TEACHERS AND STUDENTS THROUGH
- 11 N.A.S.A.'S DIGITAL LEARNING NETWORK. SHE HELPED ORGANIZE A HAM
- 12 RADIO DOWNLINK WITH THE ASTRONAUTS IN THE INTERNATIONAL SPACE
- 13 STATIONS FOR STUDENTS IN TURKEY. SHE ALSO SERVES ON THE BOARD
- 14 OF THE ORANGE COUNTY SPACE SOCIETY. ON MAY 12TH, 2008-- AND I
- 15 HAPPENED TO BE THERE-- PAM AND HER STUDENTS FROM NEW YORK CITY
- 16 SHARED IN A N.A.S.A. DOWNLINK WHERE THE UNITED STATES
- 17 ASTRONAUT DEREK RICEMAN ANSWERED QUESTIONS FROM SECOND AND
- 18 SIXTH GRADERS. THEY WATCHED HIM FLOAT ON THE INTERNATIONAL
- 19 SPACE STATION ON A BIG SCREEN ON BELLFLOWER CITY HALL. SO ON
- 20 BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AND ALL THE RESIDENTS OF
- 21 THIS GREAT COUNTY, WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE PAM FOR THIS GREAT
- 22 ACHIEVEMENT AS THE NATIONAL AMERICAN STAR OF TEACHING AWARD,
- 23 ONE OF ONLY FIVE IN THE UNITED STATES. SO WE'RE VERY PROUD OF
- 24 HER. HER FAMILY AND I HAVE A LONG RELATIONSHIP, NOT KNOWING
- 25 HER EXPERTISE IN SPACE, BUT HER FATHER, WHO HAS PASSED ON, WAS



- 1 MY PASTOR FOR MANY, MANY YEARS, BAPTIZED MY BOYS. AND SO THE
- 2 LEESTMA FAMILY AND THE KNABE FAMILY GO WAY BACK. BUT PAM, THIS
- 3 IS YOUR DAY. CONGRATULATIONS AND HAVE A GREAT TIME IN
- 4 WASHINGTON. [APPLAUSE.]

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- 6 PAM LEESTMA: I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR DONE KNABE FOR THIS
- 7 GREAT HONOR AND ALL THE OTHER SUPERVISORS. I JUST LOVE THE
- 8 WORDS OF MOTHER THERESA, "THE ONLY OFFER, JESUS." THAT REALLY
- 9 IS MY GOAL OF TEACHING. AND I WILL CONTINUE TO HAVE THAT GOAL
- 10 AS I USE MYSELF AND TEACH OTHER CHILDREN ABOUT GOD. SO THIS IS
- 11 SUCH A GREAT HONOR TODAY. AND I WILL CHERISH THIS DAY. THANK
- 12 YOU SO MUCH FOR THIS DAY. [APPLAUSE.]

- 14 SUP. KNABE: IT'S PRETTY UNIQUE STANDING AND BEING IN
- 15 BELLFLOWER CITY HALL AND WATCHING THIS GUY IN SPACE WALKING
- 16 AROUND TALKING TO KIDS. IT WAS PRETTY COOL. NOW, THAT'S
- 17 ANOTHER VERY SPECIAL HONOR FOR ME, AND PARTICULARLY FOR ALL
- 18 THE RESIDENTS OF THIS GREAT COUNTY TO HAVE DEBI FARIS, IS THAT
- 19 SAFELLI? DEBI FARIS TO JOIN ME UP HERE. I UNDERSTAND MAYBE A
- 20 COUPLE OF HER BOARD MEMBERS, GILDA TOLBERT AND EVA LAMB FROM
- 21 THE GARDEN OF ANGELS. TWELVE YEARS AGO, DEBI HAD AN EXPERIENCE
- 22 THAT WOULD NOT ONLY CHANGE HER LIFE BUT IMPACT THE LIVES OF
- 23 HUNDREDS OF CHILDREN YET TO BE BORN. SHE HEARD A NEWS STORY
- 24 ABOUT A NEWBORN BABY THAT HAD BEEN STUFFED INTO A DUFFEL BAG
- 25 AND TOSSED FROM A SPEEDING CAR. SHORTLY THEREAFTER, SHE



- 1 LEARNED OF ANOTHER NEWBORN BABY BOY THAT HAD BEEN FOUND IN A
- 2 DUMPSTER AND OF A LITTLE GIRL ABOUT TWO YEARS OF AGE WHO
- 3 WASHED UP ON A BEACH. SHE WORKED WITH THE CORONER AND OBTAINED
- 4 PERMISSION TO BURY THE BODIES OF THESE THREE YOUNG BABIES. IN
- 5 1996, HER FAMILY HAD THEIR FIRST BURIAL SERVICE FOR THESE
- 6 THREE CHILDREN. THEY WERE GIVEN THE NAMES OF MATTHEW, NATHAN
- 7 AND DORA, EACH NAME MEANS THE SAME, A GIFT OF GOD. AT THE
- 8 BEGINNING, THIS WAS AN ACT OF LOVE FROM HER FAMILY TO ENSURE
- 9 THAT THESE BABIES HAD A BURIAL IN A LOVING, KIND SPIRIT THAT
- 10 THEY DID NOT KNOW OF IN THEIR VERY SHORT TIME OF LIFE. HOWEVER
- 11 AS THE WORD OF THIS SPREAD AND KNOWING WHAT THEY WERE DOING
- 12 FOR THESE LITTLE ONES, THE CHILDREN, AND HELPING THESE
- 13 CHILDREN BEFORE IT WAS TOO LATE, THAT WAS WHEN GARDEN OF
- 14 ANGELS CAME INTO EXISTENCE. DEBI'S ADVOCACY FOR THESE AT-RISK
- 15 BABIES ULTIMATELY LED TO THE PASSAGE OF THE SAFE HAVEN LAW,
- 16 WHICH WE ALL PASSIONATELY SUPPORT AND PROMOTE HERE IN LOS
- 17 ANGELES COUNTY AND ACROSS CALIFORNIA. THROUGH HER LEADERSHIP,
- 18 THE GARDEN OF ANGELS HAS BECOME A LEADING ORGANIZATION TO WORK
- 19 PASSIONATELY TO SAVE LIVES AND PREVENT THE TRAGEDY OF NEWBORN
- 20 ABANDONMENT THROUGH EDUCATION AND OUTREACH PROGRAMS. 251
- 21 CHILDREN FROM ACROSS CALIFORNIA, AND 68 ALONE RIGHT HERE IN
- 22 LOS ANGELES COUNTY, OWE THEIR LIVES TO DEBI'S LAW ON THE SAFE
- 23 HAVEN LAW OF NO SHAME, NO BLAME, NO NAME. FOR ME PERSONALLY,
- 24 SHE OPENED MY EYES TO A VERY SAD SITUATION THAT WE HAD HERE IN
- 25 THE COUNTY WITH OUR SAFE HAVEN LAW TOO. AND WE NOW HAVE A



- 1 MECHANISM IN PLACE TO ACTUALLY DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. SINCE WE
- 2 STARTED TO ACTIVELY PROMOTE SAFE HAVEN, WHICH WE CALL THE SAFE
- 3 SURRENDER PROGRAM HERE, THE NUMBER OF INFANTS SAFELY
- 4 SURRENDERED IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAVE FAR ECLIPSED THE NUMBER
- 5 THAT HAVE BEEN FOUND DEAD OR ABANDONED. WE ARE MAKING A
- 6 DIFFERENCE IN SAVING LIVES AND WE CONTINUE TO FIGHT IN
- 7 SACRAMENTO TO PRESERVE THE INTEGRITY OF THE PROGRAM AND ENSURE
- 8 THAT OUR WORK WILL CONTINUE. THERE'S A LITTLE CEMETERY IN
- 9 UPIKA WHICH HOLDS THE REMAINS OF THOSE CHILDREN WHO WERE
- 10 INNOCENT VICTIMS BORN INTO A CLIMATE OF FEAR AND DESPERATION.
- 11 THEY WERE THE ONES WE COULDN'T SAVE, YET THEIR EXPERIENCE
- 12 LIVES ON IN OUR HEARTS TO REMIND US ALL THAT WE HAVE TO DO
- 13 EVERYTHING WE CAN TO PROTECT THE LIVES OF THESE BABIES,
- 14 ENCOURAGE AT RISK PARENTS TO MAKE THE RIGHT CHOICE TO BRING
- 15 THEIR BABY TO A FIRE STATION OR AN EMERGENCY ROOM WITH NO
- 16 SHAME, NO BLAME AND NO NAME. SO ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF
- 17 SUPERVISORS AND THE CITIZENS OF THIS COUNTY, CITIZENS IN THE
- 18 STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND OUR NATION, WE'RE GRATEFUL FOR DEBI'S
- 19 GREAT WORK ON BEHALF OF THE NEWBORNS. [APPLAUSE.]

- 21 **DEBI FARIS:** THIS MOVES ME VERY MUCH, AND I HONORABLY ACCEPT
- 22 THIS FOR THE CHILDREN WHO ARE BURIED IN THE GARDEN OF ANGELS,
- 23 83 NOW. AND FOR THE CHILDREN OF THE FUTURE. AND ESPECIALLY FOR
- 24 THE SAFELY SURRENDERED CHILDREN. I AM VERY HONORED TO KNOW DON
- 25 KNABE AND HIS PASSION, HIS HEART, HIS MISSION TO GET THE SAFE



- 1 SURRENDER LAW AND ITS OPTION OUT THERE TO THE COUNTY OF LOS
- 2 ANGELES. HE IS THE MOST PROACTIVE SUPERVISOR THAT I'VE EVER
- 3 KNOWN IN A COUNTY, AND IT SHOWS. BABIES' LIVES ARE BEING
- 4 SAVED. I'LL TELL YOU THAT IT IS AN AMAZING THING TO HAVE A
- 5 PHONE CALL FROM SOMEONE IN A HOSPITAL AND ASK YOU IF YOU WANT
- 6 TO COME OVER AND SEE A LITTLE BABY THAT'S JUST BEEN SAFELY
- 7 SURRENDERED. AND TO GO OVER THERE AND LOOK AND SEE THAT LITTLE
- 8 CHILD AND TO HOLD IT AND TO SEE IT MOVE AND TO HEAR IT CRY. I
- 9 CAN'T TELL YOU WHAT MY HEART DOES. IT JUST MELTS. IT'S QUITE A
- 10 DIFFERENT STORY WHEN YOU HAVE TO GO TO THE CORONER'S OFFICE
- 11 AND GO INTO THE MORGUE AND YOU HAVE TO PICK UP A LITTLE CHILD.
- 12 AND IT DOESN'T MOVE. IT DOESN'T CRY. AND YOU WONDER WHY AND
- 13 WHAT WE CAN DO TO PREVENT THAT AND TO PREVENT IT ESPECIALLY
- 14 FOR FUTURE CHILDREN. WELL, I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT WE THANK
- 15 YOU WITH ALL OF OUR HEART, MR. KNABE. AND ALL OF L.A. COUNTY
- 16 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR ALL OF YOUR HARD AND PASSIONATE WORK
- 17 AND THANK YOU FOR BEING THE VOICE FOR THE CHILDREN.
- 18 [APPLAUSE.]

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20 SUP. KNABE: MADAME CHAIR, I'M FINISHED.

22 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

- 24 SUP. ANTONOVICH: ONCE AGAIN IT'S AN OPPORTUNITY TO RECOGNIZE
- 25 SOME OF OUR YOUNG PEOPLE WHO HAVE SUCCESSFULLY HAD ACADEMIC



- 1 ENRICHMENTS DURING THE PAST QUARTER. AND WITH ME WITH THE
- 2 DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES IS TED MYERS WHO IS
- 3 THE CHIEF DEPUTY. WE WOULD LIKE TO ALSO-- REPRESENTING WE HAVE
- 4 MICHAEL RICE, ARLENE INOCENTE, SYLVIA FOGELMAN, THE U MEMBER,
- 5 AND ARMEN MONTEL. EACH OF THESE YOUNG PEOPLE HAVE EXCELLED
- 6 ACADEMICALLY ON THEIR WAY TO SUCCESS, AND IT'S AN OPPORTUNITY
- 7 THAT WE CAN RECOGNIZE THEIR ACCOMPLISHMENT, GIVE THEM A
- 8 PROCLAMATION. WE ALSO HAVE A GIFT CERTIFICATE TO, IS IT BARNES
- 9 & NOBLE? BARNES & NOBLE BOOKSTORE TO HELP THEM FURTHER WITH
- 10 THEIR EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES. SO LET ME JUST FIRST
- 11 RECOGNIZE VIOLET DE LA CRUZ FOR HER MOST IMPROVED ENRICHMENT
- 12 AND ACADEMIC IMPROVEMENT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND
- 13 FAMILY SERVICES. [APPLAUSE.] TIFFANY CANADA, MOST IMPROVED
- 14 ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT. [APPLAUSE.] KELLY VELASCO, MOST IMPROVED
- 15 ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT. [APPLAUSE.] DEYSI YVONNE PAREIDES.
- 16 [APPLAUSE.] AND SAMMY IZARIAN. [APPLAUSE.] TED, DO YOU WANT TO
- 17 SAY SOMETHING?

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- 19 TED MYERS: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND THE BOARD OF
- 20 SUPERVISORS FOR RECOGNIZING THESE WONDERFUL YOUNG PEOPLE. IT'S
- 21 HARD TO IMAGINE HOW THE ODDS THAT THEY'VE OVERCOME TO PERFORM
- 22 WELL IN SCHOOL. WE ARE SO PROUD OF THEM. AND WE THANK YOU FOR
- 23 THIS RECOGNITION. [APPLAUSE.]



- 1 SUP. ANTONOVICH: TODAY WE HAVE A 12-WEEK OLD TERRIER MIX. HER
- 2 NAME IS DOTTY. THIS IS DOTTY. SHE'S A LONG HAIR TERRIER.
- 3 ANYBODY LIKE TO ADOPT HER? SHE'D LIKE A HOME. SHE'S GOT A LOT
- 4 OF COUSINS AND GOOD FRIENDS. BUT THOSE IN THE AUDIENCE WHO ARE
- 5 INTERESTED, OR CALLING AT HOME, FROM 562-728-4644. ANYBODY IN
- 6 THE AUDIENCE?

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- 8 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: THAT IS A LITTLE SMALL FOR ME. THOSE LITTLE
- 9 ONES ARE TOUGH.

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- 11 SUP. ANTONOVICH: THIS IS LITTLE DOTTY. COMES WITH A LITTLE
- 12 PEARL NECKLACE. MAKES YOU WANT TO GO SWIMMING. SHE'S ATTACHED
- 13 TO YOU. SHE LIKES GLORIA.

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15 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: LOOK AT THOSE LITTLE EARS.

- 17 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: MY DOG IS 13 IN FEBRUARY. BUT IT'S A
- 18 RESPONSIBILITY. SUPERVISOR MOLINA, DO YOU HAVE ANY
- 19 PRESENTATIONS? I'D LIKE TO CALL FORWARD DANIEL SPENCER, RECENT
- 20 IRAQ AFGHANISTAN COMBAT VETERAN. SEVEN YEARS AGO, FOREIGN
- 21 TERRORISTS CONDUCTED FOUR COWARDLY SURPRISE AERIAL ATTACKS
- 22 AGAINST INNOCENT CITIZENS OF THE UNITED STATES.
- 23 INDISCRIMINATELY ON SEPTEMBER 11TH, 2001, ALMOST 3,000
- 24 INNOCENT LIVES WERE LOST AND THOUSANDS OF MORE FAMILIES
- 25 DEVASTATED BY THE LOSS. IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THESE ATTACKS,



- 1 AMERICANS UNITED TO DECLARE WAR ON GLOBAL TERRORISM,
- 2 DEMONSTRATING THE NATION'S DEEPEST RESPECT IN THE RECOGNITION
- 3 OF THE THREAT TO ITS PEOPLE AND FREEDOM TO THE PEOPLE OF THE
- 4 UNITED STATES. OUR COMMITMENT TO NATIONAL DEFENSE IS
- 5 IMMEASURABLE AND WE SALUTE THE BRAVE MEMBERS OF THE ARMED
- 6 FORCES FOR COMBATING GLOBAL TERRORISM AND FREEDOM FOR ALL.
- 7 PLEASE GIVE A WARM WELCOME TO DANIEL SPENCER, A MARINE CORPS
- 8 VETERAN, WHO ATTAINED THE RANK OF SERGEANT AND HOLDS THE
- 9 FOLLOWING DECORATIONS: COMBAT ACTION RIBBON, PRESIDENTIAL UNIT
- 10 CITATION, MARINE CORPS GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL, GLOBAL WAR ON
- 11 TERRORISM SERVICE MEDAL, GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM EXPEDITIONAL
- 12 MEDAL, IRAQI CAMPAIGN MEDAL AND NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE
- 13 MEDAL. HE SERVED TWO TOURS IN IRAO. HE CURRENTLY WORKS FOR THE
- 14 DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS AS AN OUTREACH COUNSELOR FOR
- 15 THOSE VETS RETURNING HOME FROM OPERATION IRAOI FREEDOM. IN
- 16 DECEMBER HE WILL EARN HIS BACHELORS' DEGREE IN POLITICAL
- 17 SCIENCE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTHRIDGE. AND IT IS WITH
- 18 GREAT HONOR THAT WE MAKE THIS PRESENTATION TO YOU AS WE
- 19 RECOGNIZE AND PROCLAIM SEPTEMBER 11TH, 2008 AS PATRIOTIC DAY
- 20 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. [APPLAUSE.]

- 22 DANIEL SPENCER: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BURKE AND THE COUNTY
- 23 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. IT'S BEEN A PRIVILEGE TO TAKE UP
- 24 RESIDENCE IN THE GREAT CITY OF LOS ANGELES AFTER SEPARATING
- 25 FROM THE MARINE CORPS. HAVING GROWN UP IN MINNESOTA, IT WAS A



- 1 LITTLE BIT DIFFERENT BEING STATIONED IN CALIFORNIA. AND I'VE
- 2 BEEN BLESSED WITH THE HONOR OF BECOMING A CITIZEN OF LOS
- 3 ANGELES AND A RESIDENT OF THE FIFTH DISTRICT. I APPRECIATE ALL
- 4 THE HARD WORK AND EFFORT THAT HAS GONE INTO TAKING CARE OF THE
- 5 VETERANS OF THE GLOBAL WAR ON TERROR AND ALL THE CONTINUED
- 6 SERVICE THAT THIS COUNTY HAS GIVEN TO OUR VETERANS. THANK YOU.
- 7 [APPLAUSE.]

- 9 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: WE'D NOW LIKE TO CALL UP NATIONAL ALCOHOL
- 10 AND DRUG ADDICTION MONTH PARTICIPANTS, SANDRA GEORGE OF
- 11 L.A.C.A.B.A., ALLEN HOUSE, JANE WEISS OF ALCOHOL DRUG COUNCIL
- 12 PROJECT. CANDY CARGILL-FULLER, OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
- 13 SCIENCES. MARINA SINGH OF N.C.A.B.B. SOUTH BAY. BARBARA SPIEL
- 14 OF TARZANA TREATMENT CENTER. [APPLAUSE.] DAN SELDER OF
- 15 HEALTH. SARAH DIVINE OF N.C.A.B.B. LONG BEACH. JIM
- 16 NOKAN OF A.D.A.F. AND HENRY VON OSSISINGER OF BEHAVIORAL
- 17 HEALTH SCIENCES. I'D LIKE TO ASK ALL OF THEM TO COME UP HERE.
- 18 HAVE WE GOT EVERYONE? THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE. 2.2 MILLION
- 19 PEOPLE IN THE UNITED STATES HAVE FACED A SUBSTANCE ABUSE ORDER
- 20 IN THE PAST YEAR AND DO DESERVE TO EXPERIENCE THE BENEFIT OF
- 21 RECOVERY. THE COST SAVINGS ASSOCIATED WITH TREATMENT SERVICES
- 22 IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT. IT'S IMPORTANT THAT THESE SERVICES BE
- 23 READILY AVAILABLE TO THOSE WHO NEED ASSISTANCE AND ARE FACED
- 24 WITH INSURANCE COSTS AND INSURANCE BARRIERS. TREATMENT
- 25 FACILITIES ARE NEEDED FOR THOSE WHO WANT TO RE-ESTABLISH THEIR



- 1 PLACE IN THE COMMUNITY. EDUCATION IS CRITICAL SO THAT
- 2 COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND LOCAL BUSINESSES ARE AWARE THAT
- 3 SUBSTANCE ABUSE DISORDERS ARE TREATABLE. BY TAKING STEPS TO
- 4 ADDRESS IT AS WELL AS PROVIDING SUPPORT FOR THE FAMILIES AND
- 5 CHILDREN OF THOSE WITH THESE DISORDERS. WE SAVE LIVES AND WE
- 6 SAVE DOLLARS. IT IS WITH GREAT PLEASURE THAT I PRESENT THIS
- 7 SCROLL TO ALL OF THE PARTNERS WHO WORK SO HARD TO ACHIEVE THE
- 8 GOAL OF PROVIDING CRITICAL EDUCATION SERVICES TO THOSE WHO ARE
- 9 FACED WITH SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER. IN ADDITION, WE RECOMMEND
- 10 AND WE COMMEND U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,
- 11 THE SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, THE WHITE
- 12 HOUSE OFFICE OF NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL POLICY AND THE LOS
- 13 ANGELES COUNTY RECOVERY MONTH PLANNING PARTNERS AS WE PROCLAIM
- 14 THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2008 AS NATIONAL ALCOHOL AND DRUG
- 15 ADDICTION RECOVERY MONTH THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
- 16 [APPLAUSE.]

- 18 CANDY CARGILL-FULLER: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS CANDY AND I'M A
- 19 PERSON IN LONG TERM RECOVERY. AND WHAT THAT MEANS IS THAT I
- 20 HAVEN'T USED ALCOHOL OR ILLEGAL DRUGS IN OVER 22 YEARS.
- 21 [APPLAUSE.] ON BEHALF OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY PLANNING
- 22 PARTNERS, WE'D LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR
- 23 THEIR SUPPORT OF NATIONAL ALCOHOL AND DRUG ADDICTION RECOVERY
- 24 MONTH. [APPLAUSE.] AND ALSO DR. FIELDING, THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 25 PUBLIC HEALTH AND THE DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOL AND DRUG PROGRAM



- 1 ADMINISTRATION FOR THEIR SUPPORT, AS WELL. WE'D LIKE TO THANK
- 2 THE BOARD FOR SPONSORING RALLY FOR PREVENTION RECOVERY, WHICH
- 3 WILL BE HELD TOMORROW, SEPTEMBER 10TH. IT WILL BE AT 11 A.M.
- 4 HERE AT THE HALL OF ADMINISTRATION OUTSIDE IN THE MALL AREA.
- 5 WE HOPE YOU CAN ALL COME AND JOIN US. AND IN ADDITION, I'D
- 6 LIKE TO THANK THE PEOPLE FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY RECOVERY
- 7 PLANNING PARTNERS COMMITTEE. THESE ARE THE PEOPLE THAT MAKE
- 8 EVENTS LIKE THE RALLY AND THE DODGER GAME POSSIBLE. WITHOUT
- 9 THEM, THEY WOULDN'T HAPPEN. THIS YEAR'S THEME FOR RECOVERY
- 10 MONTH IS JOIN THE VOICES FOR RECOVERY, REAL PEOPLE, REAL
- 11 RECOVERY. THE EMPHASIS IS ON TREATMENT, PEOPLE WHOM TREATMENT
- 12 AND PREVENTION SERVICES, WHO PERCEIVE THE TREATMENT AND
- 13 PREVENTION SERVICES THAT'S GIVEN THEM A RENEWED OUTLOOK ON
- 14 LIFE, FOR PEOPLE LIKE ME. I KNOW FOR MYSELF TO SAY I'VE BEEN
- 15 GIVEN A RENEWED OUTLOOK ON LIFE IS AN UNDERSTATEMENT.
- 16 TREATMENT GAVE ME LIFE. TREATMENT GAVE ME RECOVERY. AND I'M
- 17 HERE TODAY BECAUSE OF THAT. THIS MONTH IS RECOVERY MONTH'S
- 18 19TH YEAR OF CELEBRATIONS. PEOPLE FROM CITIES LARGE AND SMALL
- 19 ACROSS THE COUNTRY WILL BE GETTING TOGETHER TO SHOW HOW ACCESS
- 20 TO TREATMENT AND RECOVERY AND PREVENTION SERVICES HAS
- 21 BENEFITED INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES. PLEASE JOIN
- 22 US IN SHOWING HOW ACCESS TO PREVENTION AND TREATMENT HAS
- 23 BENEFITED THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. [APPLAUSE.]



- 1 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: I'D LIKE TO CALL FORWARD THE
- 2 REPRESENTATIVES OF QUEENSCARE. HERE THEY COME. QUEENSCARE IS A
- 3 FAITH-BASED NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT OFFERS AN ARRAY OF
- 4 HEALTH SERVICES AND PARTNERS WITH NUMEROUS AGENCIES TO PROVIDE
- 5 INNOVATIVE AND COLLABORATIVE OUTREACH PROGRAMS THAT TARGET
- 6 POPULATIONS WHO EXPERIENCE MANY BARRIERS TO ACCESSING
- 7 HEALTHCARE. THEY OPERATE A NETWORK THAT INCLUDES SEVEN
- 8 COMMUNITY CLINICS, THAT PROVIDE RESOURCES AND SERVICES TO LOW
- 9 INCOME AND MULTICULTURAL URBAN COMMUNITIES IN LOS ANGELES
- 10 COUNTY, REGARDLESS OF THE CLIENT'S ABILITY TO PAY. IT IS WITH
- 11 GREAT PLEASURE THAT I PRESENT THIS SCROLL TO QUEENSCARE FAMILY
- 12 CLINICS AS THEY CELEBRATE THEIR TENTH ANNIVERSARY AND COMMEND
- 13 THEM FOR THEIR DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT TO PROVIDE AID AND
- 14 ACCESSIBLE HEALTHCARE TO COMMUNITY MEMBERS THROUGHOUT THE
- 15 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. [APPLAUSE.]

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- 17 SUP. KNABE: MADAME CHAIR, BEFORE HE SPEAKS, I WOULD LIKE TO
- 18 PERSONALLY AS WELL THANK THEM. THEY HAVE BEEN GREAT
- 19 ASSISTANCE, NOT ONLY TO MANY PROGRAMS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY,
- 20 BUT PARTICULARLY RANCHO, AND WE APPRECIATE AND SUPPORT ALL
- 21 YOUR HELP THROUGH THE YEARS. THANK YOU VERY, VERY MUCH.

- 23 SPEAKER: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BURKE AND BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
- 24 WE DO WORK WITH ALL OF YOU. AND ALSO I WANT TO THANK L.A.
- 25 COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT



- 1 OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
- 2 AS WE WORK WITH ALL OF THEM. JUST TO GIVE YOU A QUICK IDEA, AS
- 3 THE SUPERVISOR SAID, WE SERVE THE UNDERSERVED, THOSE THAT HAVE
- 4 NO INSURANCE AND NO ABILITY TO PAY. AND OVER THE LAST 10
- 5 YEARS, QUEENSCARE AND ITS PARTNER HAVE PUT IN OVER \$220
- 6 MILLION INTO L.A. COUNTY FOR HEALTHCARE. AND ANOTHER EXAMPLE
- 7 IS, OVER 2 MILLION VISITS TO OUR SYSTEM FOR THE UNINSURED IN
- 8 L.A. COUNTY. SO OUR GOAL IS TO PROVIDE THE BEST QUALITY OF
- 9 CARE TO THOSE WHO HAVE LITTLE ALTERNATIVE. THANK YOU VERY
- 10 MUCH, YVONNE, SUPERVISOR BURKE AND THE REST OF THE BOARD OF
- 11 SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU.

- 13 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] AND NOW WE'D LIKE TO
- 14 CALL FORWARD L.A. YOUTHBUILD DIRECTORS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF
- 15 WATTS LABOR COMMUNITY ACTION COMMITTEE YOUTHBUILD, LOS ANGELES
- 16 CONSERVATION CORPS AND CENTURY CITY FOR ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY,
- 17 SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CONSERVATION CORPS, L.A.C.A.U.S.A.
- 18 YOUTHBUILD, A.Y.E. OF CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF LOS ANGELES.
- 19 VENICE YOUTHBUILD, A.V. CHAMPIONS YOUTHBUILD, AND MOJAVE BASIN
- 20 YOUTH CORPS INC. WE HAVE EVERYBODY HERE, DON'T WE? YOUTHBUILD
- 21 IS A PROGRAM THAT OFFERS HIGH SCHOOL DROPOUTS, EX OFFENDERS
- 22 AND YOUNG ADULTS AGES 16 TO 24 WHO ARE ON PROBATION OR PAROLE
- 23 THE OPPORTUNITY TO GAIN SKILLS IN CONSTRUCTION, CABLE OR
- 24 COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY FIELDS. AND WE'VE HAD A CHANCE TO VISIT
- 25 THE FACILITIES THAT YOU HAVE. AND FOR OVER 20 YEARS,



- 1 YOUTHBUILD PROGRAMS HAVE PROVIDED HUNDREDS OF YOUNG ADULTS
- 2 WITH EDUCATION, LEADERSHIP, SKILL, JOB TRAINING AND LIFE SKILL
- 3 MANAGEMENT IN ORDER TO SECURE EMPLOYMENT, TO SUSTAIN
- 4 THEMSELVES AND THEIR FAMILIES. THE LOS ANGELES YOUTHBUILD
- 5 COLLABORATIVE IS WORKING WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
- 6 DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION SO THAT YOUTHBUILD PROGRAMS AND
- 7 SERVICES CAN BE MADE AVAILABLE TO FELONS RETURNING TO THE
- 8 COMMUNITY IN NEED. AND THOSE PEOPLE ARE THE ONES WHO ARE IN
- 9 NEED OF THE KIND OF SERVICES THAT YOUTHBUILD PROVIDES. IT'S
- 10 WITH GREAT PLEASURE THAT I PRESENT THESE SCROLLS TO THE
- 11 YOUTHBUILD AGENCIES WHO ARE DEDICATED TO GIVING YOUNG ADULTS A
- 12 SECOND CHANCE TO GET THEIR LIVES BACK ON TRACK BY PROVIDING
- 13 THEM THE RESOURCES THEY NEED TO BE ABLE TO MOVE ON WITH THEIR
- 14 LIVES AND TO BECOME PRODUCTIVE CITIZENS AND TO HAVE THE SKILLS
- 15 IN ORDER TO HAVE JOBS AND PROVIDE FOR THEMSELVES AND THEIR
- 16 FAMILIES. SO I'D LIKE TO START HERE WITH CENTURY CENTER FOR
- 17 ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY. EYE OF CATHOLIC CHARITIES. L.A.C.A.S.A.
- 18 YOUTHBUILD. SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CONSERVATION CORPS. LOS ANGELES
- 19 CONSERVATION CORPS. THEY DO A LOT OF THINGS FOR US IN LOS
- 20 ANGELES COUNTY, AND PARTICULARLY THE SECOND DISTRICT. THEY DO
- 21 A GOOD JOB TOO, THAT'S THE IMPORTANT THING. WATTS LABOR
- 22 COMMUNITY ACTION COMMITTEE YOUTHBUILD. ALSO DO A LOT OF
- 23 IMPORTANT PROJECTS. KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK. MOJAVE BASIN YOUTH
- 24 CORPS. A.V. CHAMPIONS YOUTHBUILD. THEY DIDN'T GET HERE. VENICE
- 25 YOUTHBUILD IS HERE. OKAY. THANK YOU. NOW WHO'S SPEAKING?



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- 2 SPEAKER: SUPERVISOR BURKE AND ALL THE OTHER SUPERVISORS, ON
- 3 BEHALF OF THE LOS ANGELES YOUTHBUILD COLLABORATIVE, WE'D LIKE
- 4 TO THANK YOU. BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, WE'D LIKE TO LET YOU KNOW
- 5 THAT WE WANT TO CONTINUE TO PARTNER WITH THE PROBATION
- 6 DEPARTMENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES
- 7 BEING A VEHICLE FOR OPPORTUNITIES THAT WE CAN PROVIDE THEM TO
- 8 CONTINUE TO REBUILD THEIR LIVES AS WE CONTINUE TO REBUILD
- 9 HOUSING IN THE L.A. COUNTY COMMUNITY, AS WE CONTINUE TO TAP
- 10 INTO THEIR LEADERSHIP SO THAT THEY CAN BE SUCCESSFUL AND GO ON
- 11 TO LIVE THE KIND OF LIVES THAT THEY DESERVE TO LIVE AS YOUNG
- 12 PEOPLE TO REBUILD THIS COUNTY. WE WANT TO CONTINUE IN THE
- 13 SPIRIT OF COLLABORATION AND COOPERATION SO THAT WE CAN BE HERE
- 14 LONG AFTER THOSE THAT ARE HERE NOW AND HAVE RETIRED AND THE
- 15 YOUNG PEOPLE CONTINUE TO BE HERE KNOWING THAT YOUTHBUILD IS
- 16 HERE TO STAY AS AN OPPORTUNITY AND A VEHICLE FOR COUNTY YOUNG
- 17 PEOPLE NEEDING AN OPPORTUNITY. WE THANK ALL OF THE BOARD OF
- 18 SUPERVISORS TODAY AND LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUOUSLY WORKING
- 19 WITH YOU TOMORROW. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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21 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

- 23 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, DO YOU WANT TO COME
- 24 UP? SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, WE HAVE ALSO SAN GABRIEL. AND LAS



- 1 CASAS, AND IN EAST LOS ANGELES, SUPERVISOR MOLINA? AND
- 2 SUPERVISOR KNABE, WOULD YOU JOIN US? YES, YOU'RE EVERYWHERE.

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- 4 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: I THINK THAT CONCLUDES THE PRESENTATIONS
- 5 NOW. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, YOU'RE UP FIRST, I BELIEVE.

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- 7 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: WE'LL GIVE YOU ALL THE PUBLIC HOLDING
- 8 ITEMS.

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10 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: OKAY.

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12 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: YOU CAN START WITH 11, 16. HERE THEY ARE.

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14 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: OKAY. I'LL TAKE UP 11, 16, 29 AND 35.

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- 16 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: MR. SACHS, DO YOU WANT TO START FORWARD?
- 17 AND MAYBE. DR. CLAVREUL, YOU MIGHT WANT TO COME FORWARD, TOO.

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- 19 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: DR. CLAVREUL IS HOLDING 22 AND 26. DR.
- 20 CLAVREUL?

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- 22 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: MR. SACHS, WOULD YOU PLEASE COME TO THE
- 23 MICROPHONE?

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25 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: START HIS TIME.

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1 2 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: ITEM 11. 3 ARNOLD SACHS: ITEM 11. OH, I DON'T HAVE MY AGENDA. BUT START 4 5 MY TIME? I'M A LITTLE TAKEN BACK BY THE POLITICAL CORRECTNESS OF THIS AGENCY. ASSOCIATION FOR RETARDED CHILDREN? RETARDED 6 7 CITIZENS? I THOUGHT WE WERE PAST THAT. THERE'S SO MUCH MADE 8 ABOUT POLITICAL CORRECTION. COULD YOU THINK THAT THEY'D HAVE A BETTER NAME FOR THE ASSOCIATION? MAYBE LEARNING CHALLENGED? 10 11 SUP. KNABE: THEY DO. THEY CALL IT A.R.C. NOW, A.R.C., BUT THAT'S THE OFFICIAL NAME. THEY CALL IT A.R.C. 12 13 ARNOLD SACHS: A.R.C. THANK YOU FOR YOUR ANSWER, SIR. 14 15 16 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: MOVED BY YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON 11. 17 18 19 ARNOLD SACHS: ITEM 16. IS INVOLVING SHERIFF'S FUNDING FOR MONITORING SYSTEMS. AND IN A RELATED ITEM-- ALTHOUGH TWO 20 THINGS. A, IT TURNS OUT I'M JUST CURIOUS WHEN THE STATE WENT 21 22 TO THAT BASED ON MEGAN'S LAW, IT TURNED OUT THAT THERE WASN'T 23 ENOUGH PERSONNEL TO DO ALL THE MONITORING. SO HAS THAT BEEN

ADDRESSED BY THE SHERIFF? AND THEN ON SEPTEMBER 5TH, IN I

GUESS THE DAILY BREEZE, THERE WAS AN ARTICLE PRISON T.V.S MAY



- 1 GO BLANK. INMATES DON'T QUALIFY FOR COUPONS FOR CONVERTER
- 2 BOXES NEEDED BY FEBRUARY 2009. BEING AS L.A. COUNTY HAS THE
- 3 LARGEST INMATE POPULATION IN THE COUNTRY, ARE PLANS BEING
- 4 MADE, WHATEVER THEY MAY BE, TO PROVIDE THE CONVERTER BOXES
- 5 THAT WOULD BE NEEDED FOR THE FACILITIES CURRENTLY USED BY THE
- 6 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT? BECAUSE IT SAYS HERE THAT SOUTH
- 7 CAROLINA, THE INMATES, THE FACILITIES DON'T QUALIFY. SO WHAT
- 8 IS THE SITUATION WITH L.A. COUNTY? OR IS THAT GOING TO BE A
- 9 BIG SURPRISE COME FEBRUARY 2ND? AGAIN, THANK YOU FOR YOUR
- 10 TIME, YOUR ANSWERS AND YOUR ATTENTION.

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- 12 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: MOVED BY YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY
- 13 ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THAT'S ON 16.

- 15 ARNOLD SACHS: ARE WE CONTINUING? 29. ONE OF MY FAVORITES,
- 16 AGAIN. THIS IS INVOLVING A GRANT OR FUNDING. COUNTY PROVIDE
- 17 \$242,000 TOWARDS COSTS USING M.T.A. GRANT FUNDS AND MATCHING
- 18 COUNTY FUNDS. POINT ONE, HOW IS THE COUNTY ABLE TO ASSIGN
- 19 M.T.A. GRANT FUNDS WHEN BACK IN JULY I OUESTIONED AN ITEM ON
- 20 YOUR CONSENT CALENDAR REGARDING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
- 21 BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION
- 22 AUTHORITY AS BEING ONE PARTY AND WAS TOLD NO, THEY'RE SEPARATE
- 23 ENTITIES. OUESTION PART TWO OF THIS ITEM IS: MATCHING COUNTY
- 24 FUNDS. DOES THAT MEAN THE M.T.A. GRANT FUNDS WILL BE \$121,000
- 25 AND THE COUNTY WILL MATCH THAT FOR A TOTAL OF \$242,000? OR IS



- 1 THE M.T.A. GRANT FUNDS, WHICH THE COUNTY IS SO JUDICIOUSLY
- 2 PROVIDING, \$242,000 AND THE COUNTY GOING TO MATCH THAT
- 3 \$242,000 FOR A TOTAL OF \$484,000, WHICH IS QUITE A BIT
- 4 DIFFERENT SUM OF MONEY.

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- 6 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: MOVED BY ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY
- 7 YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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9 ARNOLD SACHS: I GUESS THAT'S MY ANSWER.

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- 11 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: THERE WILL BE SOMEONE OVER WHO CAN ANSWER
- 12 YOUR QUESTIONS. WHAT WAS THE NEXT ITEM YOU WERE CALLING,
- 13 SUPERVISOR?

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15 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: HE STILL HAD 35.

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17 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: 35.

- 19 ARNOLD SACHS: 35. THIS IS COUNTY PROVIDING FUNDING FOR THE
- 20 M.T.A. PARKING LOT. NOW, GOD KNOWS WITH THE M.T.A.'S
- 21 MANAGEMENT, THE SPENDING THAT GOES ON THERE IS SO OUTRAGEOUS.
- 22 BUT \$700,000 FOR A PARKING LOT? DOES THE COUNTY ALSO PROVIDE
- 23 FUNDING WHEN TORRANCE TRANSIT NEEDS A PARKING LOT PAVED? OR
- 24 THE L.A. D.O.T. COMMUTER EXPRESS NEEDS A PARKING LOT. OR THE
- 25 SANTA MONICA BIG BLUE BUS NEEDS PARKING? OR THE FOOTHILL



- 1 EXPRESS, FOOTHILL TRANSIT NEEDS PARKING? OR SANTA CLARITA BUS
- 2 LINES NEED PARKING? OR THE ANTELOPE VALLEY BUS LINES NEED
- 3 PARKING? IF THE COUNTY IS SO GRACIOUS IN PROVIDING FUNDS FOR
- 4 THE M.T.A., SHOULD IT ALSO BE GRACIOUS IN PROVIDING FUNDS FOR
- 5 THESE OTHER BUS LINES? AND WHAT'S THE STATUS ON THAT?

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7 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY MOLINA--

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- 9 ARNOLD SACHS: SPEAK INTO YOUR MIC., SIR, SO THE PUBLIC CAN
- 10 HEAR.

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- 12 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY MOLINA; WITHOUT
- 13 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THAT'S ON 35.

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- 15 ARNOLD SACHS: AGAIN. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME, YOUR ANSWERS AND
- 16 YOUR ATTENTION.

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18 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: 22 AND 26.

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- 20 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: ON 22, OTHER PEOPLE ARE HOLDING IT. COULD
- 21 YOU CALL 26?

- 23 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: 26. WELL, YOU KNOW IT'S THE SAME
- 24 QUESTION I HAVE LATELY OF ALL THOSE CONTRACTS WHICH CAN BE
- 25 CHANGED, MAXIMUM OBLIGATION UP TO 25 PERCENT. IN THAT CASE IN



- 1 PARTICULAR, 25 PERCENT OF THAT CONTRACT IS \$600,000. WE NEED
- 2 TO LOOK AT ALL THOSE CONTRACTS. WE NEVER COME BACK TO THE
- 3 BOARD FOR 25 TO 30 PERCENT. I THINK IT'S WHERE A LOT OF THAT
- 4 PORK MONEY IS GOING, AND I WOULD LOVE THAT SOME AGENCY DOES AN
- 5 AUDIT WHERE THE MONIES HAVE GONE. I DON'T KNOW WHY IT IS IN
- 6 THOSE CONTRACTS. 25 PERCENT IS PRETTY STEEP, AND 600,000 IS
- 7 OVER HALF A MILLION DOLLARS. THANK YOU.

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- 9 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. MOVED BY YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED
- 10 BY ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. YOU WERE HOLDING
- 11 ANOTHER ITEM.

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- 13 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: WELL, 22 BUT I WOULD LIKE TO HEAR
- 14 SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S INPUT ON THE ITEM.

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16 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: WHO WAS HOLDING 18?

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- 18 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I'LL TAKE UP 26 NOW. THE ONE YOU WERE
- 19 HOLDING.

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21 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: WE JUST TOOK UP 26. 22?

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23 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: 22, SUPERVISOR MOLINA WAS HOLDING, ALSO.



- 1 SUP. MOLINA: I DON'T KNOW IF YOU REMEMBER. THIS IS A CONTRACT,
- 2 AND IT'S NOW AN R.F.P. BEFORE US. BUT THIS IS A CONTRACT THAT
- 3 WE HAD ASKED OVER A YEAR AND A HALF AGO TO GO BACK AND DO AN
- 4 R.F.P. THEY NEEDED AN INTERIM CONTRACT AND THEY HIRED ONE OF
- 5 THE DOCS FROM THE OTHER GROUP AND THEY SET UP THIS BUSINESS.
- 6 BUT BASICALLY THEY ARE READY TO MOVE FORWARD. AND I GUESS I'M
- 7 SUPPOSED TO THANK THE DEPARTMENT FOR TAKING WHAT WE SAY
- 8 SERIOUSLY AND THEY ARE NOW MOVING FORWARD ON THE CONTRACT. BUT
- 9 MY CONCERN GOES A LITTLE BIT BROADER, AND IT'S ALSO PART OF
- 10 WHAT'S IN THE L.A. TIMES TODAY AND THE INVESTIGATIONS THAT
- 11 CONTINUE TO GO ON OVER AT M.L.K. SO I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE THIS
- 12 MOTION. AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD, I'M ALSO A MEMBER OF THE
- 13 GOVERNING BOARD THAT PROVIDES OVERSIGHT FOR THE OPERATION OF
- 14 THE COUNTY'S HOSPITAL AND SAFETY NET SYSTEM OF CARE. MY
- 15 COLLEAGUES AND I HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE DECISIONS
- 16 THAT DIRECTLY IMPACT THE HEALTH OF ALL PEOPLE IN LOS ANGELES
- 17 COUNTY. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY THAT EACH OF US TAKES VERY
- 18 SERIOUSLY. WHETHER IT BE THROUGH DECISIONS ABOUT THE BUDGET,
- 19 THE ADMINISTRATION OR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES OR THE
- 20 ADEQUACY OF CORRECTIVE ACTION PLANS, I CAN ONLY MAKE MY
- 21 DECISION BASED ON THE INFORMATION THAT I RECEIVE FROM THE
- 22 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES. YET TIME AND TIME AGAIN THIS
- 23 DEPARTMENT HAS FAILED TO PROVIDE THIS BOARD WITH HONEST AND
- 24 RELIABLE INFORMATION. THEY HAVE FAILED TO PROVIDE HONEST
- 25 INFORMATION REGARDING EVERYTHING FROM THE STATUS OF



- 1 PROBLEMATIC CONTRACT DOCTORS TIED TO C.M.S. CITATIONS TO THE
- 2 ADMINISTRATION, STAFFING AND THE COMPETENCY AS WELL AS THE
- 3 TRAINING STATUS AT M.L.K., TO CLINICAL CORRECTIVE ACTION
- 4 PLANS, TO INTERNAL INVESTIGATIONS, AND SO ON AND SO ON. I
- 5 CANNOT ADVOCATE ON BEHALF OF MY CONSTITUENTS WITH A DEPARTMENT
- 6 THAT CONTINUES TO MISREPRESENT, MISLEAD AND MISINFORM THIS
- 7 BOARD. THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MUST INSTITUTE AN INDEPENDENT
- 8 REVIEW FUNCTION BECAUSE DESPITE REPEATED DIRECTION,
- 9 INVESTIGATIONS AND INTERVENTIONS BY THE BOARD, THE DEPARTMENT
- 10 AND ITS MANAGEMENT AND ITS LEADERSHIP REFUSES TO CHANGE. I DO
- 11 NOT HAVE THE ANSWERS. BUT I KNOW THIS COUNTY HAS MANY
- 12 EXCELLENT MODELS FOR PROVIDING ADMINISTRATIVE ACCOUNTABILITY
- 13 AND TRANSPARENCY. THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AS THE GOVERNING
- 14 BOARD OF OUR HOSPITALS AND CLINICS, CANNOT CONTINUE TO OPERATE
- 15 IN THIS MANNER. I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE C.E.O. MAKE
- 16 RECOMMENDATIONS TO THIS BOARD IN TWO WEEKS ON VARIOUS OPTIONS
- 17 FOR CREATING AN INDEPENDENT REVIEW ENTITY OR CONTRACTOR,
- 18 SOMETHING VERY SIMILAR MAYBE TO THE WORK OF MERRICK BOBB,
- 19 WHICH OR WHO COULD BE TASKED WITH INVESTIGATING AND MAKING
- 20 RECOMMENDATIONS TO THIS BOARD RELATING TO ALL ASPECTS OF THE
- 21 ADMINISTRATION, OPERATIONS AND THE FUNCTIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT
- 22 OF HEALTH SERVICES. I THEREFORE MOVE THAT C.E.O. REPORT THE
- 23 RECOMMENDATIONS ON A SET ITEM ON SEPTEMBER 23RD. THAT GIVES
- 24 YOU TWO WEEKS. THE LAST REPORT THAT WAS ASKED BY MR.
- 25 YAROSLAVSKY IS LOADED WITH THINGS THAT WE HAD ASKED ABOUT



- 1 TRAINING, AT PEOPLE PASSING THEIR TESTS. IT'S EMBARRASSING. WE
- 2 ARE BEING TOLD ONE THING BY OUR ADMINISTRATORS THAT WERE WE'RE
- 3 SUPPOSED TO TRUST. WE EMPOWER THEM TO OPERATE AND TO MANAGE
- 4 THOSE EMPLOYEES, AND YET ALL I CAN BELIEVE IS: WELL THEY SAY
- 5 THEY'RE NEVER INTENTIONALLY LYING TO US, IT'S UNFORTUNATE WORD
- 6 TO US, BUT THE REALITY IS THAT I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY THEY
- 7 CAN'T GIVE US THE KIND OF DIRECT INFORMATION, HONEST
- 8 INFORMATION, BECAUSE THE DUTIES WE UNDERTAKE AND THE
- 9 RESPONSIBILITIES WE HAVE ARE VERY, VERY SERIOUS. AND WE CAN
- 10 ONLY OPERATE FROM THE INFORMATION THAT WE RECEIVE. I WISH I
- 11 HAD A MODEL THAT I CAN SAY WOULD WORK. I DON'T NEED TO CREATE
- 12 A SHADOW SYSTEM, A SHADOW ADMINISTRATIVE SYSTEM. I DON'T WANT
- 13 TO DO THAT. I WANT SOMEONE WHO CAN GO IN INDEPENDENTLY, REVIEW
- 14 EVERYTHING FROM TESTINGS, FROM FACILITIES, BE ABLE TO GO IN
- 15 AND EVALUATE EVERYTHING FROM PERSONNEL ITEMS LIKE THE ISSUES
- 16 THAT WERE ASKED ABOUT AND CLEARLY MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS AND
- 17 HAVE STRICT ADHERENCE TO THEM THAT THEY'RE GOING TO BE
- 18 MONITORED BY THIS OFFICE. WE WILL HAVE-- WE HAVE A SYSTEM, A
- 19 SAFETY NET RESPONSIBILITY IN HEALTHCARE. AND I'M TROUBLED
- 20 EVERY SINGLE DAY BY THE FACT THAT WE MAY BE LOSING CONTROL OF
- 21 THE ADMINISTRATION OF THAT SAFETY NET. AND IT ISN'T THE FACT
- 22 THAT WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH MONEY, ALTHOUGH THAT IS ONE OF THE
- 23 ISSUES, AND THAT WE DON'T HAVE DEDICATED EMPLOYEES. I THINK
- 24 WHAT WE HAVE IS LOUSY MANAGEMENT. AND MANAGEMENT THAT FOR SOME
- 25 REASON IS FRIGHTENED OF TELLING US THE TRUTH OR DOESN'T HAVE



- 1 THE ABILITY TO TELL US THE TRUTH. AND THEY CONJURE UP ALL
- 2 KINDS OF INTERESTING STORIES TO TELL US TO KEEP US BLIND TO
- 3 THE REAL FACTS AS TO WHAT'S GOING ON. SO I'VE JUST ABOUT HAD
- 4 IT. SO I'M ASKING FOR THIS. AND HOPEFULLY YOU CAN COME BACK IN
- 5 TWO WEEKS WITH NO EXTENSION TO REVIEW THIS ISSUE.

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- 7 SUP. KNABE: MADAME CHAIR, I WOULD JUST, IF I COULD. I WILL NOT
- 8 BE HERE ON THE 23RD. SO I WOULD LIKE TO BE PART OF THAT
- 9 DISCUSSION IF WE COULD FIND ANOTHER DATE.

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- 11 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: DO YOU WANT TO PUT IT OVER FOR THE
- 12 FOLLOWING WEEK?

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14 SUP. MOLINA: ARE YOU GOING TO BE HERE THE FOLLOWING WEEK?

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- 16 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: THE FOLLOWING WEEK IS DARK. THE BOARD IS
- 17 NOT IN SESSION.

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19 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: OCTOBER 7TH.

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21 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: OCTOBER 7TH WOULD BE SOONEST.

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23 SUP. MOLINA: YOU CAN DO IT IN ONE WEEK. I DON'T MIND THAT.



- 1 SUP. ANTONOVICH: ASKING FOR A RETURN IN ONE WEEK. WHEN I MADE
- 2 MY MOTION.

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4 SUP. MOLINA: ONE WEEK.

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6 SUP. ANTONOVICH: BECAUSE I'M NOT HERE THE WEEK AFTER.

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8 SUP. BURKE: WHAT DATE IS IT THAT WE'RE DARK?

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- 10 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: SEPTEMBER 30TH THERE IS NO BOARD MEETING.
- 11 ON THE 16TH BE AWARE THERE ARE ALREADY TWO SET ITEMS NEXT
- 12 WEEK. DO YOU WANT TO ADD THIS ONE ALSO?

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14 SUP. MOLINA: ABSOLUTELY.

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- 16 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: DO YOU THINK WE COULD HAVE ANYTHING
- 17 DEFINITIVE AT THAT POINT?

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- 19 C.E.O. FUJIOKA: ONE WEEK WOULD MAKE IT VERY DIFFICULT TO HAVE
- 20 SOMETHING TOGETHER.

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- 22 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: WE WANT SOMETHING THAT'S MEANINGFUL, I'M
- 23 SURE.



- 1 SUP. MOLINA: WE WANT SOMETHING MEANINGFUL BUT I DON'T KNOW
- 2 THAT THREE WEEKS WILL MAKE IT MORE MEANINGFUL.

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- 4 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: YOU WANT TO SET IT FOR ONE WEEK AND WE'LL
- 5 SEE WHAT THEY HAVE. AND THEN YOU CAN REVIEW IT THEN.

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- 7 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: MADAME CHAIR, CAN I BE HEARD ON THAT? I WAS
- 8 INTENDING TO ALSO ASK THAT WE HAVE-- SCHEDULE THE AUDITOR-
- 9 CONTROLLER'S REPORT NEXT WEEK. I THOUGHT NEXT WEEK. TO DISCUSS
- 10 IT AND PERHAPS IMPLEMENT THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS. THEY HAVE A
- 11 ROAD MAP OF RECOMMENDATIONS RELATING TO THE ISSUES RAISED BY
- 12 THAT. SO IT'S CONCEIVABLE YOU COULD HAVE ALL THESE THINGS ON
- 13 AT THE SAME TIME NEXT WEEK. I JUST DON'T KNOW THAT YOU'RE
- 14 GOING TO HAVE-- LET IT RUN ITS COURSE. JUST AS LONG AS WE'RE
- 15 DISCUSSING THIS, I WANT TO ASK THAT THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S
- 16 REPORT BE CALENDARED FOR NEXT WEEK SIMULTANEOUS WITH THIS.

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- 18 SUP. KNABE: MADAME CHAIR? I MEAN IN A WEEK, MAYBE AT LEAST
- 19 HAVE AN OUTLINE OF SOMETHING THAT WE CAN ADD SOMETHING TO, TO
- 20 GIVE THEM BETTER, MORE SPECIFIC DIRECTION AND THEN COME BACK.

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22 C.E.O. FUJIOKA: THAT WORKS.

- 24 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: MAYBE WE COULD HAVE A REPORT ON THE STATUS
- 25 OF GETTING A NEW DIRECTOR AND THE HEALTH AUTHORITY AND SOME



- 1 OTHER THINGS THAT HAVE BEEN FLOATING AROUND FOR A LONG TIME,
- 2 FOR YEARS, AS PART OF THIS. I MEAN THIS IS A BROAD DISCUSSION.
- 3 MY BET IS IT WILL TAKE SOME TIME TO HAVE THIS DISCUSSION. BUT
- 4 WE OUGHT TO START.

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6 SUP. BURKE: DR. CLAVREUL?

- 8 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: YES, GOOD MORNING, DR. CLAVREUL.
- 9 AGAIN. I AM TOTALLY AMAZED BUT FIRST I WANT TO THANK
- 10 SUPERVISOR MOLINA FOR HER MOTION. I THINK ONE WEEK IS PLENTY
- 11 OF TIME. MR. FUJIOKA HAS PLENTY OF TIME WORKING FOR HIM. THIS
- 12 IS THE SAME INDIVIDUAL WHO TOLD YOU REPEATEDLY IN THE BOARD OF
- 13 SUPERVISORS, WHEN YOU ASK "EVERYBODY HAS BEEN VETTED,
- 14 EVERYBODY HAS MADE THE CORRECTIONS, " AND I REMEMBER SAYING,
- 15 "OH YES, WE HAVE." I MEAN JUST LOOK AT YOUR OLD TAPE. YOU HAVE
- 16 PEOPLE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES WHO HAVE LIED TO
- 17 YOU REPEATEDLY, REPEATEDLY ON TELEVISION. AND THOSE PEOPLE ARE
- 18 STILL WORKING. I MEAN YOU KNOW ME, IF I KNEW I WOULD BE TAPE
- 19 RECORDED, I WOULD NOT SAY LIE. I MEAN THOSE PEOPLE HAVE SWORN
- 20 TO YOU THAT THEY HAVE DONE THE WORK. WE PAY CAMDEN \$1 MILLION,
- 21 REMEMBER? CAMDEN? \$1 MILLION TO TRAIN THE NURSES? THEY DIDN'T
- 22 DO IT. INITIALLY WE ARE GOING TO PAY NAVIGANT 24 MILLION, BUT
- 23 FINALLY WE PAY ONLY 20 MILLION. WHEN ARE WE GOING TO ASK FOR
- 24 OUR FREAKING MONEY BACK? I MEAN THOSE PEOPLE WERE SUPPOSED TO
- 25 HAVE DONE THE JOB. THEY ARE SUPPOSED TO HAVE TRAINED. THEY ARE



- 1 SUPPOSED TO HAVE DEVELOPED MODELS FOR TESTING. WHERE ARE THEY?
- 2 THERE IS NO PROOF OF THE WORK THEY HAVE DONE. EXCEPT WE ARE 20
- 3 MILLION WITH LESS MONEY. I MEAN HOW WOULD YOU FEEL IF YOU HAVE
- 4 ONE OF THOSE NURSES WHO TOOK THE TEST THREE OR FOUR TIMES
- 5 GIVING TO THE MEDICATION TO YOUR CHILD, OR TO YOUR LOVED ONE?
- 6 I MEAN THIS IS A SERIOUS PROBLEM. YOU ALL HAVE A GREAT TIME
- 7 GIVING AWARDS. BUT SEEING THE PEOPLE ARE DYING BECAUSE YOU ARE
- 8 NOT DOING YOUR JOB. GO BEYOND ASKING THE QUESTION. DEMAND THAT
- 9 SOMETHING IS DONE ABOUT IT. I KNOW FOR ME, THAT IS GOING TO DO
- 10 SOMETHING FOR ME. I AM GOING TO FIGHT TO RE-DISTRICT THIS
- 11 COUNTY AND TO MOVE FROM FIVE TO NINE SUPERVISORS SO WE CAN
- 12 MAKE CHANGE. IT'S NOT ALWAYS THE SAME THING HAPPENING. YOU
- 13 KNOW, YOU TRY HARD BUT NOTHING HAPPEN. GET SOME NERVE AND MAKE
- 14 IT HAPPEN FOR THE PEOPLE WHO ARE INCOMPETENT. YOU KNOW, DR.
- 15 SCHUNHOFF, "WE ARE GOING TO NEED OUTSIDE PEOPLE TO GIVE US
- 16 MONEY." EXCUSE ME? WE ALREADY PAID OVER 22 MILLION IF WE
- 17 COUNT. YOU KNOW WHAT YOU COULD DEVELOP IS WHAT A LOT OF PEOPLE
- 18 IN THE INDUSTRY HAVE DONE. TEAMS OF QUALITY ASSURANCE, WHO GO
- 19 AT RANDOM TO VISIT THOSE HOSPITALS. PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT
- 20 INVOLVED AND PAID BY THE COUNTY. I THINK YOU NEED TO FIND A
- 21 WAY. YOU NEED TO CORRECT WHAT'S HAPPENING. BECAUSE ONE OF YOU
- 22 MAY DIE BECAUSE ONE OF THOSE R.N. DIDN'T DO THEIR JOB. AND I
- 23 WOULD LIKE TO KNOW, HOW MANY HAVE BEEN REPORTED TO THE BOARD
- 24 OF NURSING? YOU KNOW, A NURSE CANNOT HAVE A VALID LICENSE IF
- 25 SHE HAS A FELONY. ON HER RECORDS. AND EVEN WHEN THEY TAKE THE



- 1 TEST OVER AND OVER AGAIN THEY STILL CHEAT. I WROTE A VERY GOOD
- 2 ARTICLE ON ETHICS. I THINK I'LL GIVE IT TO YOU AGAIN BECAUSE
- 3 APPARENTLY YOU HAVE NOT READ IT.

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- 5 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ON THE AMENDMENT, ON
- 6 ITEM 22 AS AMENDED, MOVED BY MOLINA, SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY.
- 7 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. AND THAT'S OVER TO THE REPORT
- 8 WOULD BE IN ONE WEEK. SO ORDERED.

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- 10 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I WAS HOLDING ITEM 32. I'D LIKE TO ASK THE
- 11 ACTING DIRECTOR OF THE PUBLIC WORKS TO COME FORWARD.

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- 13 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: DID YOU WANT 42 JUST TO GO TO CLOSE, OR DID
- 14 YOU WANT ____?

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16 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: CLOSE.

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18 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: THAT'S WHERE IT COMES FROM.

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20 SUP. MOLINA: OKAY, GOOD.

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- 22 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: GOOD MORNING. YOU ASKED THAT THIS ITEM GOES
- 23 BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT. WOULD YOU EXPLAIN WHY?



- 1 DEAN EFSTATHIOU: YES, I WOULD LIKE TO EXPLAIN THAT. BASICALLY
- 2 LAST NIGHT, ABOUT 4:47, SUPERVISOR KNABE'S OFFICE RECEIVED AN
- 3 EMAIL FROM TWO INDIVIDUALS.

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5 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: RIGHT.

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- 7 DEAN EFSTATHIOU: AND BASICALLY I WANT TO TAKE A PRECAUTION AND
- 8 I WANT TO EVALUATE, TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT OUR
- 9 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS ARE ADEQUATE. I WANT TO GIVE AN
- 10 EXPLANATION. I WANT TO TELL YOU THAT WHEN THE LOCAL COASTAL
- 11 PROGRAM WAS APPROVED IN 1996, AND THE LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM,
- 12 ACCORDING TO STATE LAW, IS EQUIVALENT TO AN ENVIRONMENTAL
- 13 IMPACT REPORT, CERTAIN GROWTH WAS--

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- 15 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: THE LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM IS EQUIVALENT TO
- 16 ENVIRONMENTAL?

- 18 DEAN EFSTATHIOU: ACCORDING TO STATE LAW IS EQUIVALENT TO A
- 19 STATE PLAN AND IS EQUIVALENT TO HAVING AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
- 20 REPORT. AND SO, CERTAIN GROWTH WAS ANTICIPATED, AND BASED ON
- 21 THIS GROWTH, WE DECIDED TO COME UP WITH THE SHORE PROJECTS
- 22 THAT WERE NEEDED TO ACCOMMODATE THAT GROWTH. AND BASED ON
- 23 THAT, WE WROTE THE ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS. SO WE WANT TO MAKE
- 24 SURE THAT WHAT WAS APPROVED IN 1996 AND WHAT IS HAPPENING NOW,
- 25 WE HAVE NO PROBLEMS WITH THOSE.



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- 2 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: THE D THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT--
- 3 FIRST OF ALL DO WE HAVE RICK OR SOMEBODY HERE FROM THE COUNTY
- 4 COUNSEL'S OFFICE? I'LL BE HAPPY TO PUT YOU ON THE SPOT. BUT I
- 5 THINK WE NEED THE ENVIRONMENTAL EXPERTS.

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- 7 RAY FORTNER, COUNSEL: YES, KAREN LICHTENBERG FROM MY OFFICE,
- 8 WHO'S HEAD OF OUR--

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- 10 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: ANYBODY BUT YOU, RAY. [LAUGHTER.] THAT'S
- 11 JUST A JOKE. WHEN THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT-- ON THE
- 12 LOCAL COASTAL PLAN, WAS THERE A FULL-FLEDGED ENVIRONMENTAL
- 13 IMPACT REPORT DONE?

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15 KAREN LICHTENBERG: NO.

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17 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WHAT WAS DONE?

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- 19 KAREN LICHTENBERG: IT'S A DOCUMENT IN AND OF ITSELF. IT IS
- 20 JUST CONSIDERED A FUNCTIONAL EQUIVALENT OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL
- 21 IMPACT REPORT.

- 23 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: DID IT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE ENVIRONMENTAL
- 24 IMPACTS OF A SEWER CONSTRUCTION PROJECT OF THE MAGNITUDE
- 25 THAT'S BEING CONTEMPLATED HERE?



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2 KAREN LICHTENBERG: I CAN'T ANSWER SPECIFICALLY. THAT'S WHAT WE

3 WANT TO LOOK AT.

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5 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: DO YOU KNOW, MR. USAFI, WHETHER IT DID?

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- 7 DEAN EFSTATHIOU: SUPERVISOR, MY UNDERSTANDING IT DOES. WE DID
- 8 NOT SAY -- THE COMPLAINT FROM THE COMMENT THAT WE GOT WAS:
- 9 "DID YOU CONSIDER THE CUMULATIVE IMPACT REPORTS, CUMULATIVE
- 10 IMPACTS ON THIS PROJECT?" AND THE ANSWER WAS WHEN WE LOOKED AT
- 11 THE L.C.P. BACK IN 1996, THERE WERE CERTAIN AMOUNT OF
- 12 DEVELOPMENT THAT WAS ALLOWED TO DO. THIS DEVELOPMENT THAT IS
- 13 TAKING PLACE RIGHT NOW ON THIS 26 PARCELS IS LESS THAN WHAT
- 14 WAS ANTICIPATED BACK IN 1996.

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- 16 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: YES. I UNDERSTAND IT. I GOT THE SAME EMAIL.
- 17 I THINK WE ALL DID. THERE ARE TWO PAGES OF ISSUES THAT ARE
- 18 RAISED, NOT JUST THAT ONE. AND THEY'RE ALL PRETTY SELF-
- 19 EVIDENT. THEY'RE THE KINDS OF THINGS THAT EVERYBODY WHO
- 20 OPPOSES OR QUESTIONS A PROJECT WOULD RAISE, LEGITIMATELY
- 21 RAISE. SO MY QUESTION IS: I GUESS MY QUESTION, FIRST OF ALL,
- 22 COULD YOU DESCRIBE THE PROJECT THAT'S UNDER CONSIDERATION
- 23 HERE? WHAT IS THIS SEWER PROJECT?



- 1 DEAN EFSTATHIOU: THIS PROJECT APPROXIMATELY WE'RE GOING TO BE
- 2 BUILDING APPROXIMATELY 6,342 LINEAR FEET OF SEWER LINE TO ADD
- 3 ADDITIONAL CAPACITY FOR THESE 26 IDENTIFIED PARCELS THAT WE
- 4 HAVE BEEN GETTING INFORMATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT TO
- 5 ACCOMMODATE THIS GROWTH.

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- 7 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: HOW BIG OF A PERCENTAGE INCREASE IN CAPACITY
- 8 DOES THIS REPRESENT FOR THE MARINA?

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- 10 DEAN EFSTATHIOU: THERE IS ONLY-- THIS IS ONLY CERTAIN AREAS. I
- 11 DO NOT KNOW RIGHT NOW THE PERCENTAGE. BUT IT WASN'T THAT MUCH.
- 12 BUT BASICALLY WHAT IT IS IS WE HAVE 26 PARCELS. THEY HAVE
- 13 INDICATED TO ME THAT WE ARE DEALING WITH APARTMENTS, WE'RE
- 14 DEALING WITH ADDITIONAL HOTEL ROOMS, WE'RE DEALING WITH OTHER
- 15 ISSUES HERE THAT WE HAVE. IN ORDER TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE
- 16 ADEQUATE SEWER CAPACITY, THAT'S WHY WE'RE BUILDING THIS SEWER
- 17 LINE.

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19 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: DO YOU WANT TO SAY SOMETHING?

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- 21 KAREN LINCOLNBURG: WE NEED TO LOOK AT THAT LIST THAT PUBLIC
- 22 WORKS IS LOOKING AT FOR ANTICIPATED DEVELOPMENT AND COMPARE IT
- 23 TO WHAT WAS IN THE L.C.P. IN 1996 AS ANTICIPATED DEVELOPMENT.



- 1 DEAN EFSTATHIOU: I BELIEVE WE CAN COME BACK WITHIN TWO WEEKS
- 2 AND EITHER PUT SOME ADDITIONAL WORDS INTO THE DOCUMENT OR
- 3 WHATEVER. BUT IT'S NOT GOING TO DELAY THE PROJECT. I DON'T
- 4 BELIEVE IT WILL DELAY THE PROJECT.

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- 6 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: YOU DIDN'T ASK FOR A TWO-WEEK CONTINUANCE.
- 7 YOU ASKED THAT THIS BE RETURNED TO THE DEPARTMENT. YOU WANT TO
- 8 BRING IT BACK IN TWO WEEKS?

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- 10 DEAN EFSTATHIOU: YES, I WOULD LIKE TO BRING IT BACK IN TWO
- 11 WEEKS. THAT WAS MY INTENT.

- 13 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: MR. KNABE IS NOT GOING TO BE HERE IN TWO
- 14 WEEKS, I DON'T THINK. MY GUT TELLS ME THAT WHEN YOU DO A
- 15 SIGNIFICANT SEWER PROJECT -- AND I THINK A SEWER PROJECT OF
- 16 THIS MAGNITUDE IS NOT A TRIVIAL MATTER. IT'S A PROJECT. IT'S
- 17 OBVIOUSLY SUBJECT TO THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT.
- 18 IT'S OVER A MILE LONG WORTH OF SEWERS. IT'S TO SERVICE
- 19 INCREASED DENSITY, DEVELOPMENT IN THE MARINA AREA. SO IT SEEMS
- 20 TO ME, I'M JUST TRYING TO UNDERSTAND, WHEN UNDER THE
- 21 CIRCUMSTANCES, LET'S ASSUME FOR THE SAKE OF ARGUMENT-- I'M NOT
- 22 SAYING THAT IT IS-- BUT LET'S ASSUME FOR THE SAKE OF ARGUMENT
- 23 THAT THIS IS A SIGNIFICANT PROJECT ENVIRONMENTALLY. UNDER WHAT
- 24 CIRCUMSTANCES WOULD A SIGNIFICANT SEWER PROJECT OF THIS TYPE
- 25 QUALIFY FOR A NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND NOT A FULL



- I ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT OR A MITIGATED NEGATIVE
- 2 DECLARATION?

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- 4 KAREN LINCOLNBURG: WELL IT'S A JUDGMENT CALL AS TO A
- 5 MEASUREMENT OF WHAT THE SIGNIFICANT IMPACTS ARE AND WHETHER
- 6 THEY CAN BE MITIGATED OR NOT. WE HAD SOME CONCERNS ABOUT THE
- 7 FACT THAT THIS WAS AN INCREASE IN CAPACITY.

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9 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I'M SORRY, SPEAK UP.

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- 11 KAREN LINCOLNBURG: WE HAD SOME CONCERNS THAT THIS WAS AN
- 12 INCREASE IN CAPACITY.

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- 14 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WELL OF COURSE IT IS. HE JUST SAID IT WAS.
- 15 HE'S SAYING IT'S DESIGNED TO SERVICE THE INCREASED DEVELOPMENT
- 16 IN THE MARINA. AND IT'S 6,000 SOME ODD LINEAR FEET OF MORE
- 17 SEWERS. IT'S ADDED CAPACITY. IT'S NOT REPLACING THE EXISTING
- 18 SEWER LINE, IT'S ADDING TO IT, CORRECT?

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- 20 DEAN EFSTATHIOU: YES, ABSOLUTELY. AND THE REASON I'M SAYING
- 21 IT'S NOT GOING TO HAVE ANY IMPACT IS BECAUSE WHEN THE L.C.P.
- 22 WAS APPROVED IN 1996, IT ANTICIPATED THAT CERTAIN GROWTH WAS
- 23 GOING TO TAKE PLACE. AND THIS GROWTH IS TAKING PLACE, BUT IT
- 24 WAS LESS THAN WHAT WAS ANTICIPATED.



- 1 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: DO YOU BUY THAT? LET'S SAY IT'S TRUE, DOES
- 2 THAT ABSOLVE THE COUNTY FROM HAVING TO DO A MORE THOROUGH
- 3 ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW?

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- 5 KAREN LINCOLNBURG: IT MAY. I MEAN WE REALLY NEED TO LOOK AT
- 6 THE SUBSTANCE OF THE L.C.P. AND THAT HAS NOT BEEN DONE.

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- 8 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WHAT IS IT THAT YOU'D BE LOOKING FOR?
- 9 SPECIFICITY IN THE 1996 L.C.P.?

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- 11 KAREN LINCOLNBURG: YES. AND ALSO-- ALTHOUGH IT IS CLEAR THAT
- 12 IT IS THE FUNCTIONAL EQUIVALENT OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT,
- 13 THERE IS SOME QUESTION AS TO WHETHER WE CAN RELY ON IT IN THE
- 14 SAME WAY WE WOULD RELY ON A PRIOR ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT.

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- 16 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WELL, IT MAY BE, IT MAY OR MAY NOT BE THE
- 17 FUNCTIONAL EQUIVALENT, WHATEVER THAT MEANS, OF AN
- 18 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT. BUT IT'S STILL SUBJECT TO THE
- 19 CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT. AND WE HAVE AT LEAST HAD
- 20 BEFORE US TODAY A NEGATIVE DECLARATION. IF IT WAS THE
- 21 FUNCTIONAL EQUIVALENT, WE WOULDN'T HAVE EVEN HAD TO DO THAT, I
- 22 WOULDN'T THINK.

- 24 KAREN LINCOLNBURG: THE L.C.P. IS NOT SUBJECT TO C.E.Q.A. IT'S
- 25 BEEN DETERMINED, IT IS A SEPARATE ANIMAL, BUT IT'S--



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- 2 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: UNDERSTOOD. BUT IF THE ARGUMENT IS-- THE
- 3 ARGUMENT THAT HE'S MAKING IS THAT, BECAUSE IT'S A FUNCTIONAL
- 4 EQUIVALENT, YOU DON'T HAVE TO DO AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
- 5 REPORT, I DON'T BUY IT. BECAUSE THE FUNCTIONAL EQUIVALENCY--
- 6 THE FUNCTIONAL EQUIVALENCY MEANS YOU HAVE ALREADY DONE WHAT
- 7 YOU NEEDED TO DO TO ACHIEVE THAT ANALYSIS, THEN WHY WOULD YOU
- 8 EVEN DO A NEGATIVE DECLARATION? A NEGATIVE DECLARATION IN AND
- 9 OF ITSELF IS A DECISION UNDER THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL
- 10 QUALITY ACT.

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- 12 KAREN LINCOLNBURG: WELL, YOU COULD DO A NEGATIVE DECLARATION
- 13 FOLLOWING AN E.I.R. FOR MINOR CHANGES THAT WERE NOT--

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- 15 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: FOLLOWING SOME KIND OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL
- 16 ASSESSMENT, NOT AN E.I.R. BUT THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT
- 17 MIGHT LEAD YOU TO CONCLUDE THAT YOU NEED TO DO A FULL
- 18 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT?

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20 KAREN LINCOLNBURG: THAT'S TRUE.

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- 22 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: HAS THAT ANALYSIS BEEN DONE? DID YOUR
- 23 DEPARTMENT DO THAT ANALYSIS?

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25 **DEAN EFSTATHIOU:** OUR DEPARTMENT DID OUR ANALYSIS, YES.



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- 2 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: AND YOUR DEPARTMENT CAME TO THE CONCLUSION
- 3 THAT A NEGATIVE DECLARATION WAS SUFFICIENT FOR THIS PARTICULAR
- 4 PROJECT?

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- 6 DEAN EFSTATHIOU: YES, SIR, BECAUSE WE HAVE ALSO DONE THE SAME
- 7 THING WHEN WE UPGRADED THE WATER LINES IN THE MARINA. AND WE
- 8 DID THE SAME THING AND THERE WAS NO COMMENTS, NO NOTHING, BUT
- 9 I THINK--

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- 11 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: UPGRADING THE WATER LINES IS DIFFERENT THAN
- 12 INCREASING SEWER CAPACITY, ISN'T IT?

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- 14 DEAN EFSTATHIOU: UPGRADING THE WATER LINES IS THE SAME THING.
- 15 IT'S BASICALLY INCREASING--

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- 17 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WHAT IS UPGRADING THE WATER LINES? WHAT DOES
- 18 THAT MEAN?

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- 20 DEAN EFSTATHIOU: BASICALLY WHAT IT MEANS IS INCREASING THE
- 21 CAPACITY OF THE WATER LINES TO ACCOMMODATE ADDITIONAL
- 22 PRESSURES AND ADDITIONAL FLOWS THAT NEEDED TO ACCOMMODATE THIS
- 23 DEVELOPMENT.



- 1 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: SO IT'S NOT JUST TAKING RUSTY PIPES AND
- 2 MAKING THEM RUST-FREE PIPES. WHEN WAS THAT DONE? WHEN WAS THE
- 3 WATER-- WHEN WERE THE WATER LINES UPGRADED?

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- 5 DEAN EFSTATHIOU: I THINK IN THE LAST TWO OR THREE YEARS WE
- 6 HAVE UPGRADED THE MAJORITY OF THE WATER LINES.

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8 SUP. KNABE: THE LAST TWO OR THREE YEARS.

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10 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: THEY HAVE BEEN CONSTRUCTED?

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12 **DEAN EFSTATHIOU:** YES.

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14 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: THEY'RE IN PLACE?

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16 **DEAN EFSTATHIOU:** YES.

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- 18 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WELL I'M NOT FAMILIAR WITH THE WATER LINE
- 19 ISSUES. BUT IF WE GOT LUCKY AND WEREN'T CHALLENGED ON THAT,
- 20 THAT DOESN'T MEAN THAT WE WERE RIGHT.

- 22 DEAN EFSTATHIOU: THAT'S WHY WE'RE BEING VERY CAREFUL IN WHAT
- 23 WE'RE DOING. WE'RE TRYING TO AVOID A LAWSUIT. WE'RE TRYING TO
- 24 MAKE SURE EVERYTHING IS OKAY. THAT'S WHY WE'RE PROVIDING THE
- 25 INFORMATION. WE'RE GOING TO GET TOGETHER AGAIN WITH ALL THE



- 1 DEPARTMENTS AND COUNTY COUNSEL TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERYTHING IS
- 2 OKAY. I BELIEVE IT IS. AND IF I'M WRONG, I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE
- 3 IT-- THAT'S WHY I WANTED TO BASICALLY TAKE ANOTHER LOOK AT IT
- 4 TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERYTHING IS-- WHAT WE'RE DOING IS BASED ON
- 5 THE LAW.

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- 7 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WERE YOU ALL CONSULTED ABOUT THIS ALONG THE
- 8 WAY?

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10 KAREN LINCOLNBURG: YES, WE WERE.

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12 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WHAT'S YOUR CONCLUSION?

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- 14 KAREN LINCOLNBURG: WELL, WE FELT THAT THE SAFER WAY TO GO
- 15 WOULD BE TO DO AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT.

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17 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: DID YOU ADVISE THE DEPARTMENT ACCORDINGLY?

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19 KAREN LINCOLNBURG: YES, MY STAFF DID.

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- 21 SUP. KNABE: THE ISSUE HERE, THAT WAS DEEP IN THE BOWELS OF THE
- 22 SYSTEM, EITHER YOUR STAFF AND HIS STAFF.

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24 KAREN LINCOLNBURG: THAT'S CORRECT.



- 1 SUP. KNABE: BECAUSE WHAT CONCERNED ME IS FINDING THIS OUT
- 2 TODAY AND THEN BEING TOLD BY HIM, HE FOUND OUT TODAY, BEING
- 3 TOLD BY ANOTHER DEPARTMENT HEAD, SANTOS, THAT HE FOUND OUT
- 4 TODAY AND THEN MR. FORTNER FINDING OUT TODAY. I DON'T KNOW
- 5 WHAT THE HELL HAPPENED TO THE CONVERSATION IN THE LAST 30
- 6 DAYS, BECAUSE COUNTY COUNSEL INDICATED THAT HE TOLD THE
- 7 DEPARTMENT 30 DAYS AGO TO RE-ANALYZE A COUPLE OF ISSUES.
- 8 OBVIOUSLY IT'S THE FIRST TIME WE'VE EVER DONE A NEGATIVE DEC.
- 9 ON A SEWER SYSTEM.

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11 KAREN LINCOLNBURG: RIGHT.

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13 SUP. KNABE: THAT'S NOT UNUSUAL.

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- 15 KAREN LINCOLNBURG: THERE IS NO BRIGHT LINE. IT WAS OUR
- 16 JUDGMENT, WHICH IS GENERALLY VERY CONSERVATIVE, THAT THE SAFER
- 17 WAY TO GO WOULD BE TO DO AN EXPANDED DOCUMENT.

- 19 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: SEWER LINES THAT I'VE BEEN INVOLVED WHERE
- 20 THERE'S BEEN AN EXPANSION-- EVEN WHEN THERE HASN'T BEEN AN
- 21 EXPANSION, LIKE A REPLACEMENT, HOLLY HILLS, IS THAT WHAT IT
- 22 WAS CALLED, THAT WENT FROM SUPERVISOR BURKE'S DISTRICT ALL THE
- 23 WAY UP? I MEAN JUST UP TO THE HOLLYWOOD HILLS. JUST, FORGET
- 24 THE INCREASED CAPACITY, IF THERE WAS ANY INCREASED CAPACITY,
- 25 WHAT IT MEANT FOR DEVELOPMENT-- JUST THE DISRUPTION OF THE



- 1 ROADS, THE TRAFFIC IMPLICATIONS, THAT ALONE, THE CONSTRUCTION
- 2 ASPECT OF IT ALONE, WARRANTED AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT.
- 3 I DON'T KNOW WHERE THIS IS IN THE MARINA AND HOW MANY STREETS
- 4 ARE GOING TO BE DISRUPTED AND HOW MUCH TRAFFIC IS GOING TO GET
- 5 BACKED UP ON THE 90 AND ON THE MARINA FREEWAY AND ALL THOSE
- 6 OTHER THINGS, MAYBE NOTHING. SO JUST THE PROJECT ITSELF,
- 7 FORGET WHAT YOU'D STUDIED IN 1996, JUST THE PROJECT ITSELF AND
- 8 WHAT IMPACT THE CONSTRUCTION WILL HAVE, THE AIR QUALITY, THE
- 9 THIS AND THAT, I MEAN YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO DO AN
- 10 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT ON EVERY ONE OF THOSE-- OR
- 11 ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE, AT LEAST, ON EVERY ONE OF THOSE
- 12 CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS, IF IT'S A HOTEL OR AN APARTMENT,
- 13 WHATEVER IT IS. EVEN THOUGH IT'S CONSISTENT WITH THE L.C.P.
- 14 THE L.C.P. DOESN'T ABSOLVE THE COUNTY OR THE DEVELOPER FROM
- 15 DOING AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT.

17 **DEAN EFSTATHIOU:** EVERY PROJECT THAT NEEDS TO BE APPROVED HAS

- 18 TO HAVE ITS OWN ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS THAT NEED TO BE
- 19 APPROVED.

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21 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: EXACTLY.

- 23 DEAN EFSTATHIOU: AS FAR AS THE TRAFFIC AND THINGS LIKE THAT
- 24 DURING THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROJECT, YES, IT WOULD BE
- 25 TRAFFIC. AND WE HAVE TAKEN THE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO PROVIDE



- 1 FOR THAT. THERE IS A LITTLE CONFUSION AS TO WHAT'S BEEN
- 2 HAPPENING IN THE MARINA BECAUSE AT THE SAME TIME, THE CITY OF
- 3 L.A. IS BUILDING A DUAL SYSTEM FOR DIFFERENT REASONS TO
- 4 ACCOMMODATE OVERFLOWS AND THINGS LIKE THAT. AND THERE IS A
- 5 LITTLE CONFUSION ON THE PART OF THE PUBLIC WHICH PROJECT IS
- 6 THE CITY OF L.A.'S PROJECT AND WHICH PART IS THE COUNTY OF
- 7 L.A.'S PROJECT.

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- 9 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: BUT THERE'S NO CONFUSION ON THAT POINT AS
- 10 RELATES TO THE COUNTY COUNSEL. WHAT I HEARD THIS MORNING IS
- 11 THE COUNTY COUNSEL'S OFFICE, YOUR SUBORDINATES-- NOT YOU, BUT
- 12 I DON'T HEAR YOU DISPUTINGWHAT YOUR SUBORDINATES HAVE DONE.

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14 KAREN LINCOLNBURG: THAT'S CORRECT

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- 16 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: RECOMMENDED DOING AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
- 17 REPORT. THE DEPARTMENT CAME FORWARD WITH THE RECOMMENDATION OF
- 18 A NEGATIVE DEC. THERE WAS A DIFFERENCE OF OPINION BETWEEN THE
- 19 DEPARTMENT AND OUR LEGAL COUNSEL. I THINK THAT'S A GOOD REASON
- 20 TO TAKE THIS OFF CALENDAR. I'M NOT SURE YOU'RE GOING TO
- 21 RESOLVE THIS. I DON'T KNOW.

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- 23 SUP. ANTONOVICH: THE REQUEST IS IT'S CONTINUED FOR WHAT, TWO
- 24 WEEKS?



SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: ORIGINAL WAS TO TAKE IT OFF CALENDAR.

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- 3 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: IT WAS REFERRED BACK, FOR THEM TO COME BACK
- 4 WITH IT.

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- 6 DEAN EFSTATHIOU: IT WAS MY HOPE, SUPERVISOR, THAT WE WILL BE
- 7 ABLE TO RESOLVE THESE ISSUES AND BRING IT BACK.

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- 9 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I'M GOING TO JUST GO ALONG WITH THE ORIGINAL
- 10 RECOMMENDATION. YOU BRING IT BACK WHEN YOU ALL ARE READY TO
- 11 BRING IT BACK. IT MAY NOT BE IN TWO WEEKS. IF IT IS, IT IS.
- 12 BUT IF IT ISN'T, THERE IS NO REASON TO CLUTTER THE CALENDAR.

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- 14 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: I DON'T THINK TWO WEEKS WAS IN THE MOTION.
- 15 THE MOTION WAS TO REFER IT BACK.

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17 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: YEAH. I'M NOT GOING TO ARGUE WITH THAT.

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19 SUP. KNABE: THANK YOU.

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21 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WITH ALL DUE RESPECT, MR. KNABE.

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23 SUP. KNABE: WITH ALL DUE RESPECT, MR. YAROSLAVSKY.



- 1 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I GOT THE SAME EMAIL WE ALL GOT. I THOUGHT
- 2 IT HAD A LOT OF POINTS. APPARENTLY OUR LAWYERS THOUGHT IT HAD
- 3 A LOT OF POINTS.

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5 SUP. KNABE: I DIDN'T GET THE EMAIL.

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- 7 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I THOUGHT YOU DID. YOU MAY HAVE. I THOUGHT I
- 8 SAW YOUR NAME ON IT. IT WENT WORLDWIDE.

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10 SUP. KNABE: IT DEPENDS ON WHO IT'S FROM.

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12 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I'LL SHOW IT TO YOU. I'VE GOT IT RIGHT HERE.

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- 14 SUP. KNABE: THANK YOU. I GUESS THE IMPORTANT THING IS IT'S ALL
- 15 NEW TALK. THIS THING HAS BEEN ALL--

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- 17 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: I THINK WE'RE REFERRING IT BACK TO THE
- 18 DEPARTMENT. IS THERE ANY OBJECTION TO IT BEING REFERRED BACK
- 19 TO THE DEPARTMENT?

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21 SUP. KNABE: NO. ABSOLUTELY NOT.

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- 23 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: IF THERE IS NO OBJECTION, THE ITEM IS
- 24 REFERRED BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT.



DEAN EFSTATHIOU: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. 2 3 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: SO ORDERED. ARE YOU GOING TO CALL UP ITEM 18? 4 5 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: ITEM 18 RELATES TO ITEM 43, AS WELL. 6 7 8 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: WE HAVE ONE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC. LUTHER MEDINA WHO WISHES TO SPEAK ON THAT? 10 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: CALL THAT UP. 11 12 13 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: THAT'S ALSO ITEM 43? 14 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: YES. 15 16 17 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME. 18 19 LUTHER MEDINA: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS LUTHER MEDINA AND I AM A BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE SHEET METALWORKERS' LOCAL 20 21 105. OUR LOCAL UNION REPRESENTS BOTH SHEET METAL WORKERS AND 22 WELDERS WITHIN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND SURROUNDING AREAS. I 23 HAVE BEEN THE SUBSECTOR REPRESENTATIVE FOR APPROXIMATELY 24 MONTHS. IN LATE DECEMBER, 2006, WHILE MAKING MY ROUNDS TO THE 24 VARIOUS COUNTY FACILITIES, I MET WITH THE WELDERS AT THE 25



- 1 EASTERN AVENUE FIRE SHOP IN ORDER TO INTRODUCE MYSELF AND GET
- 2 A FEEL FOR WHAT TYPE OF WORK THEY PERFORMED. AS AN
- 3 ARCHITECTURAL SHEET METAL WORKER MYSELF, I WAS VERY IMPRESSED
- 4 WITH THE EXPERTISE AND DESIGNABILITY DEMONSTRATED BY THESE
- 5 CRAFTSMEN. IT WAS VERY EVIDENT THAT THESE GENTLEMEN HAD BEEN
- 6 WORKING OUT OF CLASS FOR SOMETIME AND THAT THE INITIAL JOB
- 7 FUNCTION OF WELDER AT THE EASTERN AVENUE FIRE SHOP HAD EVOLVED
- 8 INTO SHEET METAL WORKER OVER THE PREVIOUS 10 TO 15 YEARS.
- 9 AFTER MY INITIAL CONTACT WITH WELDERS ROD MORRIS, MARK COPELY
- 10 AND DENNIS NOYES, I MADE CONTACT WITH MR. DANIEL BELAU,
- 11 COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE LOS ANGELES BUILDING AND
- 12 CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL TO FIND OUT THE APPROPRIATE
- 13 PROTOCOL FOR RECLASSIFYING THESE WELDERS AS SHEET
- 14 METALWORKERS. HE SUGGESTED THAT THE FIRST STEP WOULD BE TO
- 15 SEEK CONFIRMATION OF THE RECLASS FROM THE SUPERVISORS AND
- 16 DEPARTMENT HEADS. THEREFORE, IN JANUARY OF 2007, I WENT BACK
- 17 TO THE EASTERN AVENUE FIRE SHOP TO SEEK APPROVAL OF MY
- 18 INTENTIONS ON BEHALF OF MR. MORRIS, MR. COPELY AND MR. NOYES.
- 19 I SPOKE WITH THE VISITING CHIEF OF FLEET SERVICES, GARY
- 20 TEPPER, NOW RETIRED, AND THEN ACTING ASSISTANT DIVISION, CRAIG
- 21 WEEKS, WHO IS NOW THE DIVISION CHIEF. BOTH MEN CONFIRMED MY
- 22 RECOMMENDATIONS AND SPOKE VERY HIGHLY OF THESE SHEET METAL
- 23 WORKERS/WELDERS. IN FACT, IN A FOLLOW UP EMAIL SENT TO ME ON
- 24 JANUARY 25TH, 2007, CHIEF TEPPER WROTE, AND I QUOTE, "THE
- 25 MAJORITY OF THEIR WORK IS CUSTOM SHEET METAL WORK. AND THESE



- 1 EMPLOYEES HAVE BEEN WORKING OUT OF CLASSIFICATION FOR YEARS. "
- 2 ON BEHALF OF OUR ANTICIPATED NEWEST SHEET METAL WORKERS, MR.
- 3 NORRIS, MR. NOYES AND MR. COPELY, I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS
- 4 OPPORTUNITY TO THANK ALL THOSE INVOLVED WHO ASSISTED US
- 5 THROUGHOUT THE RECLASSIFICATION PROCESS BEGINNING IN DECEMBER
- 6 OF 2006 INCLUDING MR. DANIEL BELAU, OF THE L.A. BUILDING AND
- 7 CONSTRUCTION TRADES, RETIRED DIVISION CHIEF GARY TEPPER,
- 8 DIVISION CHIEF CRAIG WEEKS, CLASS COMP. REPRESENTATIVE MAURICE
- 9 ALDEVAR, SENIOR ANALYST, MR. CHRISTOPHER CHADWICK AND MISS
- 10 MARIE PASQUAL, C.E.O., EMPLOYEE RELATIONS FOR GETTING ME
- 11 THROUGH THE PROCESS AND RESPONDING TO ALL MY CALLS AND EMAILS.
- 12 WITH THAT SAID, AND ON APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
- 13 FOR THE RECLASSIFICATION AS OUTLINED UNDER ITEM 18 ATTACHMENT
- 14 B, I RESPECTFULLY REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION FROM THE BOARD
- 15 THAT THE SHEET METAL WORKERS IN CONFERENCE BE ALLOCATED THE
- 16 DIFFERENCE IN PAY FOR 20 MONTHS THEY PATIENTLY WAITED DURING
- 17 THIS PROCESS. WE UNDERSTAND THERE IS A COST FACTOR TO THIS
- 18 REQUEST BUT FEEL THAT A GOOD FAITH EFFORT ON BEHALF OF THE
- 19 COUNTY BE EXTENDED TO THESE EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE BEEN WORKING
- 20 OUT OF CLASS FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS. AND I HAVE PREPARED A COST
- 21 FACTOR SPREADSHEET FOR YOUR REVIEW AND AM WILLING TO DISCUSS
- 22 THIS MATTER FURTHER UPON REVIEW.

- 24 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THE C.E.O. WILL TAKE A
- 25 LOOK AT THAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR KNABE MOVES.



- 1 SUPERVISOR MOLINA SECONDS. WITHOUT OBJECTION. ITEM 18 AND ITEM
- 2 42.

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4 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: 43.

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6 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: 43, ARE APPROVED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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8 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING ELSE.

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10 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: HE WILL TALK TO YOU ABOUT THAT ISSUE.

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12 LUTHER MEDINA: I HAD A COMMENT ON 43, AS WELL.

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- 14 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: GO AHEAD, ON 43. JUST ITEM 18 WAS APPROVED
- 15 WITHOUT OBJECTION. WE'LL GO TO 43. I THOUGHT THEY WERE BOTH
- 16 COMING UP AT THE SAME TIME.

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18 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: THEY ARE. THEY ARE RELATED.

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- 20 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: THEY ARE RELATED BUT YOU CAN GO ON AND MAKE
- 21 YOUR OTHER COMMENTS.

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- 23 LUTHER MEDINA: ON ITEM 18, DO I GIVE THE SPREADSHEETS TO THE
- 24 AUDITOR? OR WILL SOMEONE CONTACT ME?



1 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: HE'S OVER THERE.

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- 3 LUTHER MEDINA: OKAY. ON ITEM 43, SECTION 4, I WOULD
- 4 RESPECTFULLY OPPOSE THE ELIMINATION OF THE TITLE "SENIOR
- 5 WELDER." THERE ARE WELDERS CURRENTLY EMPLOYED AT THE POOUOMA
- 6 FIRE STATION. IN FACT, THEY PROBABLY NEED MORE WELDERS. AND
- 7 WITH THE RECLASSIFICATION OF THE WELDERS AT EASTERN AVENUE,
- 8 THIS CURRENT SENIOR WELDER WILL NOW BECOME A SENIOR SHEET
- 9 METAL WORKER. THE SENIOR WELDER POSITION CAN GO TO THE MOST
- 10 SENIOR WELDER AT PACOIMA FIRE STATION. WITH THE GROWING NUMBER
- 11 OF STATIONS IN THE FACILITIES, THERE IS A DIRECT CORRELATION
- 12 TO THE GROWING AMOUNT OF JOBS AT THE WELDING SHOP. AND IN
- 13 FACT, I JUST SPOKE THIS MORNING WITH SECTION CHIEF MIKE NUZAL
- 14 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES BUREAU, AND HE
- 15 DID ALSO HAVE SOME CONCERNS ABOUT ELIMINATING THE POSITION OF
- 16 SENIOR WELDER.

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- 18 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. WE'LL ASK HIM TO COME AND
- 19 ADDRESS THAT ISSUE. DO YOU HAVE OTHER ISSUES? WOULD YOU LIKE
- 20 TO RESPOND TO THAT? ELIMINATION OF THE SENIOR WELDER?

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- 22 C.E.O. FUJIOKA: I DON'T KNOW IF YOU HEARD THAT. OUR CLASS
- 23 COMP. STAFF ASKED IF WE COULD LOOK AT THAT IN MORE DETAIL AND
- 24 THEN REPORT BACK.



- 1 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: ON ITEM 43, THEN IT WILL BE MOVED BY
- 2 YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY ANTONOVICH THAT THE ITEM BE APPROVED
- 3 WITH THE REQUEST THAT THE SENIOR WELDER POSITION BE REVIEWED
- 4 BY THE AUDITOR AND REPORT BACK WITHIN TWO WEEKS. REVIEWED BY
- 5 THE C.E.O. AND REPORT BACK WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

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7 LUTHER MEDINA: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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- 9 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: ON THAT ISSUE. THE REST OF IT IS APPROVED.
- 10 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. BUT THAT ISSUE IN TERMS OF THE
- 11 SENIOR WELDER IS THE ONE THAT WILL BE REPORTED BACK.

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13 LUTHER MEDINA: THANK YOU.

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- 15 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: THAT CONCLUDES YOUR ITEM. SUPERVISOR KNABE
- 16 FOR YOUR ADJOURNMENTS?

- 18 SUP. KNABE: THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. TODAY I MOVE THAT WE
- 19 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF GERALDINE BORGER WHO WAS BORN IN HAWAII,
- 20 PASSED AWAY SEPTEMBER 6TH. SHE WILL BE MISSED BY HER FAMILY
- 21 AND FRIENDS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND JOHN, THREE
- 22 CHILDREN, CONNIE, KENNETH AND DEBRA, A SISTER AND NUMEROUS
- 23 GRANDCHILDREN AND GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. SHE'S THE MOTHER OF KIM
- 24 AND CONNIE EDWARDS AND CITY COUNCIL MAN IN CITY OF CERRITOS
- 25 AND GOOD FRIENDS. ALSO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SERGEANT MAJOR



- 1 DAVID OWEN WHO RECENTLY RETIRED FROM THE UNITED STATES MARINE
- 2 CORPS. HE WILL BE BURIED WITH FULL MILITARY HONORS. HE IS
- 3 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE DOTTY. OUR HEARTS AND THOUGHTS AND
- 4 PRAYERS GO OUT TO DOTTY. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF RICHARD
- 5 BRIDGES, REDONDO BEACH RESIDENT WHO PASSED AWAY LAST WEEK AT
- 6 THE VERY YOUNG AGE OF 64. HE SERVED AS FIRE CHIEF IN THE CITY
- 7 OF REDONDO BEACH FOR FIVE YEARS. VERY INVOLVED AT THE SANTA
- 8 ANA COLLEGE IN RUNNING THE SCHOOL'S FIRE ACADEMY. HE WAS A
- 9 FIRE CHIEF PREVIOUSLY IN NATIONAL CITY AND DALY CITY BEFORE
- 10 BEING HIRED TO BE THE CHIEF IN REDONDO. AND IN 1994 HE TOOK
- 11 THE FIRE CHIEF JOB IN SANTA MONICA. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE
- 12 ALICE 28 YEARS AND THEIR TWO DAUGHTERS, LISA, CINDY AND FOUR
- 13 GRAND DAUGHTERS. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF THOMAS BROUGH, A
- 14 LONG TIME RESIDENT OF THE SOUTH BAY AND NORTH HILLS WHO WAS
- 15 TRAGICALLY KILLED IN AN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT RECENTLY. HE WAS
- 16 ONLY 55 YEARS OLD. SURVIVED BY HIS MOTHER BOBBIE, WIFE SUE,
- 17 TWO SONS, KEVIN AND KRIS, DAUGHTER KELLY, SIX GRANDCHILDREN
- 18 AND TWO BROTHERS. ALSO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF GENE ALICE DREVNO,
- 19 A FORMER TORRANCE CITY COUNCILWOMAN AND EDUCATOR, MOTHER OF
- 20 NINE WHO HAD A LONG RECORD OF SERVICE IN THE COMMUNITY, PASSED
- 21 AWAY RECENTLY AT THE AGE OF 78. SHE WAS VERY INVOLVED IN THE
- 22 CITY, NOT ONLY SERVING AS A MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL, BUT ALSO
- 23 CHAIRING THE COMMUNITY'S PLANNING AND DESIGN COMMITTEE, VERY
- 24 INVOLVED IN TRANSPORTATION ISSUES. SHE WAS A DIRECTOR OF THE
- 25 TORRANCE EDUCATION FOUNDATION AND IN 2006 WAS NAMED SOUTH BAY



- 1 WOMAN OF THE YEAR. SHE IS SURVIVED BY SEVEN SONS, TWO
- 2 DAUGHTERS AND MANY GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN
- 3 MEMORY OF JAMES GILMARTIN WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY FROM
- 4 COMPLICATIONS DUE TO CANCER WHERE THEY WERE FIRST DIAGNOSED IN
- 5 2006. HE WAS ONLY 44 YEARS OLD. DEPUTY GILMARTIN WAS A 17-YEAR
- 6 VETERAN OF OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. HE HAD
- 7 A GREAT SPIRIT, GREAT SENSE OF HUMOR. HE WAS A BIG GUY BUT
- 8 ALSO HAD A GREAT HEART TO MATCH. HE WILL BE MISSED BY OUR
- 9 ROWLAND HEIGHTS COMMUNITY AND THE COUNTY HE SERVED SO WELL. HE
- 10 IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE SABRINA AND THEIR TWO CHILDREN, KYLE
- 11 AND EMILY. AND FINALLY THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DANIEL
- 12 JOSEPH SCOTT II WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY AT THE YOUNG AGE OF
- 13 21. DANIEL'S FATHER HAS WORKED AS A SERGEANT FOR THE LOS
- 14 ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, THE STAR CENTER IN
- 15 WHITTIER, FOR THE LAST 15 YEARS. DANIEL ATTENDED LOS ANGELES
- 16 VALLEY COLLEGE AND PASADENA CITY COLLEGE. HE WAS SCHEDULED TO
- 17 JOIN THE ARMY ON SEPTEMBER 12TH. DANIEL IS SURVIVED BY HIS
- 18 FATHER, DANIEL SCOTT I AND HIS MOTHER AURORA SCOTT. DANIEL
- 19 WILL BE TRULY MISSED BY FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

21 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: SO ORDERED. DO YOU HAVE ANY ITEMS?

23 SUP. KNABE: LET'S SEE. I DON'T THINK SO.

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- 1 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: I THINK THE ONLY ITEM IS SUPERVISOR
- 2 ANTONOVICH. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, FOR YOUR ADJOURNMENTS AND
- 3 THEN YOU'RE HOLDING ITEM NUMBER 1.

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5 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: 9. THERE'S ALSO A PUBLIC HEARING ITEM.

- 7 SUP. ANTONOVICH: -- BILL COFFMAN, IT IS THE HUSBAND OF JUDY
- 8 PAHN COFFMAN WHO WAS MY COMMISSIONER ON THE HUMAN RELATIONS
- 9 COMMISSION. HE LEAVES BEHIND, IN ADDITION TO HIS WIFE JUDY,
- 10 HIS CHILDREN MARY, RACHEL, SARAH, DANIEL AND CHRISTINE. HE WAS
- 11 A GOOD FRIEND. HE REMODELED AND BUILT THE CHINESE MANDARIN
- 12 BAPTIST CHURCH IN ALHAMBRA AND THE FORMER MASONIC TEMPLE THAT
- 13 WAS PURCHASED A FEW YEARS AGO. BUT HE WAS QUITE INVOLVED IN
- 14 THE COMMUNITY AND A GOOD PERSON. HE PASSED AWAY YESTERDAY.
- 15 ALSO FLORA KALO, LONG TIME RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA VALLEY
- 16 SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND JAMES AND HER CHILDREN JAMES AND JOE.
- 17 AND HER NIECE MARCELLA BELL WHO IS THE WIFE OF MY PRESS DEPUTY
- 18 ANTHONY BELL. RONALD LESLIE CONWAY. HE SERVED WITH THE LOS
- 19 ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR 34 YEARS AND WAS INVOLVED
- 20 IN A NUMBER OF ORGANIZATIONS, THE LANCASTER WEST ROTARY AND
- 21 THE Y.M.C.A. AND THE ELKS. JAMES GILMARTIN, DEPUTY LOS ANGELES
- 22 COUNTY SHERIFF. HE PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 29TH. HIS YEARS OF
- 23 SERVICE WERE FROM OCTOBER 1ST 1991 TO JUST LAST WEEK, AUGUST
- 24 29TH, WHEN HE PASSED AWAY. HE WAS ASSIGNED TO THE WALNUT
- 25 STATION. A VERY GOOD FRIEND, LONG TIME SUPPORTER. AND IT WAS



- 1 WILLIAM "BILL" FREDERICKS HERTZ. HE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
- 2 84. LONG TIME THEATER EXECUTIVE. SERVED AS FORMER CHAIRMAN OF
- 3 THE HOLLYWOOD WALK AND FRAME. HIS HANDS AND FOOTPRINT ARE IN
- 4 FOREFRONT OF MANN'S CHINESE GRAUMAN'S THEATER. HE WAS ONE OF
- 5 THE FEW NON CELEBRITIES TO ACHIEVE THIS. HE WAS LONG TIME
- 6 DIRECTOR OF MARKETING AND PUBLIC RELATIONS FOR MANN. HE
- 7 RETIRED IN 1991, BUT HE OVERSAW THE GRAUMAN'S CHINESE THEATER
- 8 CEREMONIES FOR OVER 20 YEARS, SERVED AS MASTER OF CEREMONIES
- 9 FOR THE INSTALLATION FOR OVER A DECADE. IN ADDITION, HE WAS
- 10 VERY INVOLVED IN THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND CHAIRMAN OF THE
- 11 SANTA CLAUS LANE PARADE. HE SERVED AS UNITED STATES ARMY
- 12 SERGEANT DURING WORLD WAR II. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 60
- 13 YEARS RUTH AND HIS TWO CHILDREN, WILLIAM JUNIOR OF GLENDALE
- 14 AND STEPHEN AND A DAUGHTER MARY. HE WAS A GOOD PERSON. ALWAYS
- 15 ASKING ABOUT LITTLE MICHAEL AND MARY, MY FAMILY. HE WAS A GOOD
- 16 MAN. JON LOVE, RETIRED LIEUTENANT FROM LOS ANGELES COUNTY
- 17 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. JOSE CUAUTEMOC "BILL" MELENDEZ. HE WAS
- 18 ONE OF THE ACTIVE WALT DISNEY STUDIOS. HE WAS THE ANIMATOR,
- 19 DIRECTOR AND PRODUCER BEST KNOWN FOR THE TELEVISION PROGRAMS
- 20 AND THEATRICAL FILMS FEATURING CHARLES SCHULTZ'S PEANUTS
- 21 CHARACTER. HIS CAREER SPANNED OVER SEVEN DECADES AT WORK AT
- 22 WALT DISNEY. LEON SCHLESINGER CARTOONS, WARNER BROTHERS,
- 23 UNITED PRODUCTIONS OF AMERICA AND PLAYHOUSE PICTURES. HE HAD
- 24 ESTABLISHED BILL MELENDEZ PRODUCTIONS IN 1964 WHERE HE
- 25 PRODUCED CLASSICS LIKE A "CHARLIE BROWN CHRISTMAS "WERE



- 1 CREATED. HE WAS ALSO THE VOICE OF SNOOPY FOR NUMEROUS AMOUNTS
- 2 OF SPECIALS, THE SATURDAY MORNING T.V. SHOWS AND FOUR FEATURE
- 3 FILMS. IN ADDITION, HE CONTRIBUTED TO DISNEY'S CLASSICS,
- 4 "PINOCCHIO," "FANTASIA," "BAMBI" AND "DUMBO" AS WELL AS WARNER
- 5 BROTHERS' BUGS BUNNY, DAFFY DUCK, PORKY PIG AND WAS ALSO
- 6 ANIMATED UNITED PRODUCTIONS OF AMERICA'S OSCAR WINNING GERALD
- 7 MCBOING-BOING. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 68 YEARS, HELEN,
- 8 AND HIS TWO CHILDREN. STEVEN AND RETIRED NAVY ADMIRAL RODRIGO,
- 9 AND HIS SIX GRANDCHILDREN, 11 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. MARY LOUISE
- 10 MILLER PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 64, ACTIVE IN THE GLENDALE
- 11 COMMUNITY AND SERVED AS THE GLENDALE LIBRARY LITERACY
- 12 COORDINATOR. WAS REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE GLENDALE CITY
- 13 EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION AND PRESIDENT FOR THE GLENDALE
- 14 COMMUNITY COORDINATING COUNCIL AND ACTIVELY PARTICIPATED IN
- 15 OUR COUNTY'S OPERATION READ PROGRAM. TERRY PEARSON. RETIRED 33
- 16 1/2 YEARS WITH THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT WHERE HE WAS
- 17 A DETECTIVE. HARLEY SMITH PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 38 FROM
- 18 THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AND JUDITH ANDERSON WHO WAS THE WIFE OF
- 19 CLAYTON ANDERSON, MY APPOINTEE TO THE CITIZEN'S ECONOMY
- 20 EFFICIENCY COMMISSION. JUDITH PASSED AWAY LAST WEEK. SO THOSE
- 21 WERE MY ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS.

23 SUP. KNABE: I'D LIKE TO BE ADDED ON THE ANDERSON.

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- 1 SUP. ANTONOVICH: ON THE MOTION, JUST TO ONCE AGAIN, THAT
- 2 SEPTEMBER 11TH WAS THE DAY THAT A NATION PAYS TRIBUTE TO THOSE
- 3 3,000 PLUS VICTIMS AND REMINDS US OF THE TRAGEDIES THAT TOOK
- 4 PLACE THERE. SOME OF US WERE IN WASHINGTON. OTHERS WERE ON
- 5 THEIR WAY TO WASHINGTON DIVERTED TO NEVADA. BUT IT'S A DAY
- 6 THAT NONE OF US WILL EVER FORGET. IT'S AS IF IT HAPPENED
- 7 YESTERDAY. SO I MEAN, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND I WERE THERE,
- 8 MY CHIEF OF STAFF, HIS CHIEF OF STAFF, WAITING FOR THE OTHERS
- 9 TO ARRIVE ONLY TO BE DIVERTED, AND THEN TRYING TO GET OUT OF
- 10 WASHINGTON. BEING UNDER MARTIAL LAW. IT WAS A TRAGEDY. SO OUR
- 11 SYMPATHIES GO TO THE VICTIMS AND THEIR FAMILIES. SO I'LL
- 12 SECOND YOUR MOTION.

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14 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: SO ORDERED WITH ALL MEMBERS.

- 16 SUP. ANTONOVICH: BECAUSE THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER REPORT WAS
- 17 RECEIVED YESTERDAY, I WOULD LIKE TO BRING THIS IN TODAY AND
- 18 IT'S FOLLOWING UP ON COMMENTS THAT WERE MADE BY SUPERVISORS
- 19 MOLINA AND YAROSLAVSKY. ON SEPTEMBER 9TH, THE AUDITOR-
- 20 CONTROLLER COMPLETED THE AUDIT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
- 21 SERVICES REVEALING SERIOUS POLICY ORGANIZATIONAL AND PROCESS
- 22 WEAKNESSES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES. THEY INCLUDED
- 23 DEFICIENCIES IN THE CRITICAL AREAS OF COMPETENCY TESTING, AND
- 24 THE TIMELY CONDUCT AND ASSESSMENT OF BACKGROUND CHECKS.
- 25 PROBLEMS OUTLINED RAISED SERIOUS CONCERNS REGARDING THE



- 1 QUALITY OF CARE BEING PROVIDED AT THIS FACILITY AND SERVED TO
- 2 ERODE THE PUBLIC TRUST IN THE COUNTY'S HEALTHCARE DELIVERY
- 3 SYSTEM. PARTICULAR CONCERN IS THE FAILURE TO COMPLETE THE
- 4 BACKGROUND CHECKS IN A TIMELY MANNER, THE TERMINATION IN A JOB
- 5 NEXUS WITH THE INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM THE BACKGROUND
- 6 CHECKS, PROCESS ISSUES ASSOCIATED WITH INCONSISTENT COMPETENCY
- 7 TESTING AND FINDINGS IN COMPETENCY TESTING SHOWING THAT A
- 8 LARGE PERCENTAGE OF STAFF AT MARTIN LUTHER KING HARBOR COULD
- 9 NOT PASS TESTING AND WERE NOT HELD TO BE AT CONSISTENT
- 10 COMPETENCY STANDARD. SOME OF THE M.L.K. HARBOR NURSES REQUIRED
- 11 AS MANY AS FOUR ATTEMPTS TO PASS A TEST STATION AND
- 12 DEMONSTRATED HIGH FAILURE RATES IN CORE SKILLS, REFLECTING
- 13 THAT THE MAJORITY OF STAFF DID NOT HAVE A BASIC WORKING
- 14 KNOWLEDGE OR SKILLS TO PERFORM THE GENERIC COMPETENCIES IN A
- 15 SIMULATED ENVIRONMENT AND AS REPORTED IN THE AUDITOR-
- 16 CONTROLLER'S REPORT, THERE ARE QUESTIONS WHETHER THE SKILL OF
- 17 THE TESTED EMPLOYEES COULD BE APPLIED IN PRACTICE. BEING
- 18 UNACCEPTABLE, THE INCOMPETENT STAFF, POTENTIALLY GUILTY OF
- 19 UNACCEPTABLE CRIMINAL BEHAVIOR, ARE ALLOWED TO BE TRUSTED WITH
- 20 THE LIFE AND WELL BEING OF PATIENTS. SO I WOULD MOVE THAT THE
- 21 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WOULD DIRECT THE C.E.O., THE INTERIM
- 22 DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES AND DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES TO
- 23 IMPLEMENT THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S
- 24 REPORT AND COMPLETE THE RECOMMENDED EVALUATION OF JOB NEXUS
- 25 DETERMINATIONS BROUGHT INTO QUESTION IN THE AUDITOR'S REPORT,



- 1 AND ENSURE THAT THOSE EMPLOYEES THAT HAVE BEEN TRANSFERRED
- 2 FROM M.L.K. HARBOR TO OTHER FACILITIES HAVE COMPLETED ALL
- 3 NECESSARY BACKGROUND INVESTIGATIONS AND ESTABLISHED A PROCESS
- 4 TO EVALUATE THE COMPETENCIES OF THE STAFF AT M.L.K. HARBOR
- 5 USING AN APPROACH THAT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE BEST PRACTICES
- 6 FOR SUCH TESTING. AND I HAVE HERE REPORTING BACK WITH A WORK
- 7 IN PROGRESS NEXT WEEK ON THIS. SO THAT WOULD BE THE MOTION,
- 8 MADAME CHAIRMAN.

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10 SUP. MOLINA: MAY I ASK A QUESTION ON IT?

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12 SUP. ANTONOVICH: YES.

- 14 SUP. MOLINA: ONE OF THE THINGS THAT MR. ANTONOVICH DOES IN
- 15 ASKING THESE RECOMMENDATIONS BE IMPLEMENTED I THINK HAS
- 16 TREMENDOUS VALUE. HE ALSO ASKED YOU TO COME BACK IN A WEEK TO
- 17 PUT TOGETHER A PLAN. THE PROBLEM THAT I HAVE AND I'M TRYING TO
- 18 UNDERSTAND, IN ONE OF THE AREAS WHERE THERE ARE 99 CONVICTIONS
- 19 AND THERE IS CLEARLY-- SOMEONE HAS MADE A DETERMINATION THAT
- 20 THERE IS NO NEXUS. HERE IT SAYS THAT THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT
- 21 THAT IT WILL TAKE SEVERAL MONTHS TO REVIEW, WHEREAS I THINK IT
- 22 WOULD TAKE ONE DAY TO LOOK AT 99 FILES. ONE DAY TO LOOK AT 99
- 23 FILES AND FIND OUT WHO SIGNED OFF THAT SAYS THERE'S NO NEXUS.
- 24 I MEAN, I DON'T THINK IT'S A CHECK MARK. THERE MUST BE SOME
- 25 RATIONALE, AND I JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND IT. IF SOMEBODY'S BEEN



- 1 CONVICTED OF DRUG PROBLEMS, I DON'T SEE HOW THEY COULD WORK IN
- 2 A HOSPITAL. IF THEY HAVE BEEN CONVICTED OF THEFT, I DON'T SEE
- 3 HOW THEY COULD WORK IN A HOSPITAL. IF THEY HAVE BEEN CONVICTED
- 4 OF ASSAULT. SO I EXPECT THAT NEXT WEEK, OF THESE 99 CASES I
- 5 THINK IT WOULD BE WORTH WHILE-- I KNOW YOU CAN'T DO IT IN A
- 6 PUBLIC SETTING, BUT TO GO INTO A PUBLIC SESSION. I DON'T THINK
- 7 IT WOULD TAKE US THAT LONG FOR SOMEBODY TO DO A QUICK MATRIX
- 8 OF THE 99 CASES. AND WHAT I FIND HARD TO BELIEVE IS THE FACT
- 9 THAT SOMEBODY SIGNED OFF AND SAID THERE IS NO NEXUS. NOW I'M
- 10 TRYING TO UNDERSTAND WHAT KIND OF CRIMINAL CONVICTION WOULD
- 11 FIND NO NEXUS TO A SECURED FACILITY, A HOSPITAL THAT HAS
- 12 DRUGS, THAT HAS ALL KINDS OF EQUIPMENT, THAT HAS ALL KINDS OF
- 13 FRAGILE PATIENTS, THAT I THINK HAS A LOT OF SECURITY ISSUES.
- 14 BESIDES THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF PATIENT RECORDS. I MEAN I'M
- 15 TRYING TO THINK OF WHAT KIND OF A CONVICTION. EVEN A WHITE
- 16 COLLAR CRIME.

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- 18 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: WELL THE MAN WHO HAD THE HEDGES THAT HE
- 19 DIDN'T CUT MIGHT BE ONE. YOU WANT TO LOOK AT THAT..

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- 21 SUP. MOLINA: HE DIDN'T CUT HEDGES, AND HE GOT A CRIMINAL
- 22 CONVICTION FOR NOT CUTTING HEDGES?

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24 SUP. BURKE: HE'S ONE OF THE PEOPLE ON THE LIST, YEAH.



- 1 SUP. MOLINA: HE GOT A CRIMINAL CONVICTION FOR NOT CUTTING
- 2 HEDGES?

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4 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: YEAH, A MISDEMEANOR.

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- 6 SUP. MOLINA: I DON'T KNOW WHAT KIND OF CRIMINAL CONVICTION
- 7 THAT IS.

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9 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: LOOK, YOU'VE READ THE REPORTS.

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11 SUP. MOLINA: CUTTING WHAT HEDGES?

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- 13 C.E.O. FUJIOKA: WE CAN COME BACK AND DISCUSS THAT. BUT THERE
- 14 WAS A WIDE RANGE.

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16 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: DRUGS YOU'RE RIGHT. ABSOLUTELY.

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- 18 SUP. MOLINA: THAT'S WHAT I'M TRYING TO UNDERSTAND. I DON'T
- 19 KNOW HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE CONVICTED OF NOT CUTTING THEIR
- HEDGES.

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22 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: NOT MANY.



- 1 SUP. MOLINA: MAYBE ON THAT ONE YOU SHOULDN'T BE A GARDENER.
- 2 BUT SOMEBODY TO BE CONVICTED OF THAT, MAYBE IT WAS BECAUSE
- 3 THEY HAD BEEN TOLD CONSTANTLY.

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- 5 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: PROBABLY HAD BEEN TOLD TO CUT THEM, AND
- 6 EITHER THEY CUT THEM--

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8 SUP. MOLINA: I THINK THERE'S SOMETHING MORE THAN THAT.

- 10 C.E.O. FUJIOKA: WE SHOULD HAVE A DISCUSSION. PART OF THAT
- 11 DETERMINATION, THERE ARE SOME THAT ARE ABSOLUTELY
- 12 STRAIGHTFORWARD. ONE WOULD LOOK AT IT, A LAYPERSON, LET ALONE
- 13 AN ATTORNEY WOULD LOOK AT IT, AND SAY, "YES, IT'S AN ABSOLUTE
- 14 NEXUS. THE PERSON SHOULDN'T WORK." A CRITICAL FACTOR-- BECAUSE
- 15 I DID THAT WHEN I WAS A PERSONNEL DIRECTOR AT ONE OF THE
- 16 HOSPITALS, THAT WAS ONE OF MY FUNCTIONS-- A CRITICAL FACTOR IS
- 17 ALSO THE RECENCY. IF WE'RE HIRING SOMEBODY, FOR EXAMPLE, WHO
- 18 HAD A TRANSGRESSION AS A JUVENILE SAY 20 YEARS PRIOR. IT'S A
- 19 VERY MINOR TRANSGRESSION. IF YOU LOOK AT IT AND YOU SAY, OKAY,
- 20 20 YEARS HAVE PASSED. DURING THAT 20-YEAR PERIOD, THE PERSON
- 21 HAS HAD A VERY STRONG WORK HISTORY. IS IN FACT-- IS THERE A
- 22 JOB NEXUS RIGHT THERE? DEPENDING UPON THE SEVERITY OF THE
- 23 TRANSGRESSION, ABSOLUTELY. TIME DOESN'T CURE ANYTHING WHEN
- 24 IT'S VERY, VERY SEVERE. BUT YOU MAY HAVE SOME INSTANCES WHERE
- 25 THERE ARE MINOR MISDEMEANORS. THERE'S STILL NO EXCUSE FOR THE



- 1 TIME IT TOOK TO ADDRESS THESE. AND YOUR SUGGESTION HAVING THAT
- 2 MATRIX IS SOMETHING WE WILL PUT TOGETHER AND HAVE THAT
- 3 DISCUSSION.

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- 5 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: I THINK YOU DISTINGUISH BETWEEN THOSE
- 6 PEOPLE WHO HAVE FAILED TO LIST, AND ON SOMETHING THAT LIKE,
- 7 EVEN IF IT'S CUTTING THE HEDGES, YOU HAVE TO LIST IT.

- 9 SUP. MOLINA: BUT THIS IS DIFFERENT. THESE ARE ACTUAL CRIMINAL
- 10 CONVICTIONS. THEY WERE CONVICTED. SO WE KNOW IT. BUT SOMEBODY
- 11 WENT AS FAR TO REVIEW THIS CRIMINAL CONVICTION AND CONCLUDED
- 12 THERE IS NO NEXUS. SO THERE IS SOMETHING WRONG AT MARTIN
- 13 LUTHER KING AND I DON'T KNOW WHAT IT IS. WE DON'T KNOW.
- 14 EVERYTHING WE TRY AND DO, IT JUST SEEPS OUT OF THE SIDES OF NO
- 15 MATTER WHAT, WHETHER IT BE TESTING. WHETHER IT BE NURSES'
- 16 PERFORMANCE, WHATEVER IT IS. NOW HERE IS SOMETHING WHERE THERE
- 17 ARE 99. AND SOMEBODY SAT THERE AND REVIEWED IT. AND I AM
- 18 CONCERNED THAT THERE IS A CANCER THAT YOU CAN'T-- I MEAN,
- 19 AFTER MAJOR AMPUTATION YOU STILL CAN'T GET RID OF IT. I WANT
- 20 TO KNOW WHO IS DOING THE OVERRIDING OF THESE THINGS AND WHAT
- 21 THE RATIONALE IS. BECAUSE I THINK THAT-- I'M NOT GOING TO
- 22 BLAME EMPLOYEES. I THINK IT'S BAD MANAGEMENT. IT IS BAD
- 23 MANAGEMENT THAT IS ALLOWING THIS TO HAPPEN. SO I WANT TO KNOW
- 24 WHO THESE MANAGERS ARE. WE'RE SUPPOSED TO EMPOWER THESE
- 25 MANAGERS. SO I WANT TO KNOW WHO IS SIGNING OFF ON THESE KINDS



- 1 OF THINGS. AND I BET YOU WE'RE GOING TO FIND A REAL PROBLEM.
- 2 SO SITTING AROUND WAITING FOR MONTHS FOR SOMETHING THAT CAN BE
- 3 DONE IN A DAY IS A LAME EXCUSE BY THE DEPARTMENT. AND THIS IS
- 4 SERIOUS STUFF.

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6 C.E.O. FUJIOKA: WE'LL BE READY NEXT WEEK TO TALK ABOUT IT.

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- 8 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: I AGREE WE NEED TO GET DOWN TO IT. I DON'T
- 9 KNOW WHAT THE ISSUE IS BECAUSE BASICALLY EVERYONE TELLS US ALL
- 10 EXAMS WERE COMPLETED. WE'VE BEEN TOLD THAT OVER AND OVER AND
- 11 OVER AGAIN.

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13 SUP. MOLINA: THEY TOLD FIBS.

- 15 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: YOU HAVE TO HAVE SOME RELIANCE UPON THOSE
- 16 PEOPLE WHO MAKE THOSE REPRESENTATIONS. IT'S BEEN HERE IN
- 17 PUBLIC THAT WE WENT OVER THE EXAMS. AND THAT NO ONE WAS TO BE
- 18 TRANSFERRED UNTIL THEY HAD PASSED THE EXAMS, SO I REALLY DON'T
- 19 KNOW. AND ON THIS WHOLE CONVICTION THING, THAT HAS TOTALLY
- 20 TAKEN US BY SURPRISE. I UNDERSTAND THAT ONE OF THE PEOPLE
- 21 PROBABLY THE MOST SERIOUS, ONE OF THE MOST SERIOUS, CAME FROM
- 22 ANOTHER HOSPITAL WAS TRANSFERRED TO KING, AFTER THEY KNEW OF
- 23 THIS CONVICTION. SO I THINK THAT WE REALLY HAVE TO FIND OUT
- 24 EXACTLY WHAT'S BEHIND IT, WHY THIS CAN HAPPEN. IS IT
- 25 THROUGHOUT THE SYSTEM BUT YOU ONLY GET TO KING IF THAT'S THE



- 1 ONLY PLACE YOU LOOK AT OR IS IT JUST AT KING? THIS IS THE KIND
- 2 OF THING WE REALLY NEED TO UNDERSTAND. IS IT JUST KING THAT
- 3 YOU HAVE THIS PHENOMENON? OR IS KING THE ONE THAT YOU LOOK AT
- 4 AND YOU DON'T LOOK AT THE OTHERS? SO I REALLY NEED TO
- 5 UNDERSTAND THAT PART OF IT.

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- 7 C.E.O. FUJIOKA: WE HAVE WHAT'S BEEN CHARACTERIZED AS A STRIKE
- 8 TEAM, AND WE'LL CALL IT A SPECIAL TEAM OUT THERE, LED BY ONE
- 9 OF OUR SENIOR MANAGERS, WHO'S LOOKING AT THE SPECIFIC ISSUE,
- 10 LOOKING AT THE PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT GROUP. I'LL MAKE SURE
- 11 THIS GENTLEMAN IS AVAILABLE NEXT HE CAN STATE WHAT STEPS HE
- 12 HAS TAKEN TO ADDRESS IT, AND HOW WE'RE DEALING WITH THE LIVE
- 13 SCAN ISSUE, NOT ONLY AT KING OR D.H.S., BUT WE ALSO HAVE ASKED
- 14 EACH ONE OF OUR OTHER DEPARTMENTS BECAUSE THIS ISSUE SHOULD BE
- 15 REVIEWED ON A COUNTY WIDE BASIS. SO WE'VE ASKED EVERYONE OF
- 16 OUR DEPARTMENTS TO GO THROUGH THE RECORDS TO ENSURE THAT THE
- 17 BOARD'S LIVE SCAN POLICY HAS BEEN COMPLIED TO BY EACH AND
- 18 EVERY DEPARTMENT. SO WE'LL BE READY TO SPEAK TO NOT ONLY THE
- 19 REPORT WE HAD YESTERDAY BUT THE EFFORTS TO ADDRESS THIS ON
- 20 DEPARTMENT WIDE BASIS IN D.H.S. AND THEN STEPS WE'RE TAKING A
- 21 LOOK AT IT ON A COUNTY WIDE BASIS? OKAY, THANK YOU.

- 23 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: AND SO THAT'S WITH-- WELL, WE HAVE TO
- 24 DETERMINE IF THEIR EMERGENCY HAS COME UP AS IT RELATES TO THAT
- 25 FIRST PORTION. IT'S MOVED BY ANTONOVICH THAT THIS CAME TO OUR



- 1 ATTENTION AFTER THE AGENDA AND SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY.
- 2 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. SO THAT WE'LL TAKE UP THAT
- 3 PORTION OF YOUR MOTION THAT REQUIRES ACTION, WITHOUT
- 4 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. AND ON THIS MOTION, THEN, IT'S MOVED BY
- 5 ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY MOLINA; SO ORDERED.

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- 7 SUP. ANTONOVICH: THEN THE MOTION APPROVED ON THE SEVENTH A
- 8 \$10,000 REWARD FOR AN INCIDENT THAT HAPPENED ON MARCH 19TH
- 9 WHEREIN A WOMAN WAS SHOT AND KILLED WHILE ON THE PHONE WITH
- 10 POLICE DISPATCHERS. MRS. HSIAO HONG HSU WAS IN THE PROCESS OF
- 11 REPORTING A BREAK IN IN HER HOME IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF
- 12 WEST COVINA WHEN THE INTRUDERS MURDERED HER. THE REWARD IS DUE
- 13 TO EXPIRE ON SEPTEMBER 15TH. THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT ALSO
- 14 RECOMMENDS THAT WE EXTEND THIS REWARD AND WE MOVE THEREFORE
- 15 THAT THE BOARD OFFER SUCH A REWARD FOR ANY INFORMATION LEADING
- 16 TO THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF THE PERSON OR PERSONS
- 17 RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MURDER OF MRS. HSIAO HONG HSU WHO WAS
- 18 KILLED MARCH 19TH WHILE ON THE PHONE WITH POLICE DISPATCHERS
- 19 REPORTING A BREAK-IN AT HER HOME IN THE UNINCORPORATED
- 20 COMMUNITY OF WEST COVINA.

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- 22 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: MOVED BY ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY KNABE.
- 23 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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25 SUP. ANTONOVICH: THAT'S ALL.



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2 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR MOLINA FOR YOUR ADJOURNMENTS?

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- 4 SUP. MOLINA: I HAVE ONE. I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN
- 5 MEMORY OF THE MEMBERS OF THE CORDOVA FAMILY WHO PASSED AWAY IN
- 6 THIS TRAGIC AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT THAT OCCURRED IN EAGLE ROCK.
- 7 IN ADDITION TO CRISTYN, TONI AND ANDREW CORDOVA, A FAMILY
- 8 FRIEND, JASON HERNANDEZ ALSO PERISHED. WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR
- 9 THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS TO THE PARENTS AND FAMILY MEMBERS AND
- 10 FRIENDS OF THOSE WHO PASSED AWAY. WE KNOW THEY'RE IN GREAT
- 11 DESPAIR AND SUFFERING TERRIBLY AT THIS TIME.

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- 13 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: SO ORDERED. ARE THERE ANY ITEMS YOU WISH TO
- 14 BRING UP? SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

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16 SUP. MOLINA: NO. I HAVE NO OTHER ITEMS.

- 18 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: I HAVE ADJOURNMENTS. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
- 19 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF REVEREND KYOGYO MIURA,
- 20 LONG TIME SECOND DISTRICT RESIDENT AND REVEREND AT THE GARDENA
- 21 BUDDHIST CHURCH. HE PASSED AWAY SUDDENLY AUGUST 31ST. HE
- 22 LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS WIFE, EIKO, SON WILLIAM AND
- 23 GRANDSON SKYLER. AND ALICE RUIZ, LONG TIME LOS ANGELES
- 24 RESIDENT WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AUGUST 6TH AT THE AGE OF 85.
- 25 SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER FOUR DAUGHTERS, SYLVIA



- 1 RUIZ, TONI RUIZ, GLORIA MACEDO AND DIANE ESTES, SIX
- 2 GRANDCHILDREN AND SEVEN GREAT GRANDCHILDREN ALONG WITH A HOST
- 3 OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS. SO ORDERED. I'D LIKE TO BRING UP ITEM
- 4 46. COULD WE HAVE?

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- 6 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: ON ITEM 46, IF I COULD READ THE TITLE IN
- 7 FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS A COMBINED HEARING ON LOCAL PLAN
- 8 AMENDMENT CASE NUMBER 2006-00006-2, ZONE CHANGE CASE NUMBER.
- 9 2006-00007-2, CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT CASE NUMBER 2006-00158-2
- 10 INVESTING TENTATIVE TRACT MAP CASE NUMBER 06-7377-2, NEGATIVE
- 11 DECLARATION RELATING TO PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1535 WEST 130TH
- 12 STREET, WEST ATHENS, WESTMONT ZONE DISTRICT PETITIONED BY JIM
- 13 GREEN ON BEHALF OF SOUTH COAST COMMUNITIES. THERE IS A
- 14 DEPARTMENT STATEMENT AND CORRESPONDENCE WAS SUBMITTED IN FAVOR
- 15 OF THIS ITEM. AND IF I COULD SWEAR EVERYBODY IN ON THIS ITEM.
- 16 SO IF YOU ARE GOING TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE BOARD, PLEASE STAND
- 17 AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN. I THINK THERE WERE A
- 18 COUPLE PEOPLE WHO HAD SIGNED UP ALSO FOR COMMENTS. IN THE
- 19 TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO YOU SOLEMNLY
- 20 AFFIRM TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH AND NOTHING BUT THE
- 21 TRUTH, SO HELP YOU GOD? THANK YOU. YOU MAY BE SEATED.

- 23 WILL CORDOVA: GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE
- 24 BOARD. MY NAME IS WILL CORDOVA, AND I'M SENIOR REGIONAL
- 25 PLANNING ASSISTANT IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING.



- 1 THANK YOU. THE PROJECT BEFORE YOU THIS AFTERNOON IS A REQUEST
- 2 FOR A RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF 69 DETACHED CONDOMINIUM UNITS
- 3 AND ONE PRIVATE PARK LOT IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF
- 4 WEST ATHENS, WESTMONT. THE PRIVATE PARK LOT WILL PROVIDE
- 5 AMENITIES CONSISTING OF A TOT LOT, WITH AGE-APPROPRIATE
- 6 RECREATIONAL AREAS, A PLAZA WITH OVERHEAD SHADE STRUCTURE,
- 7 PICNIC TABLES, SEMI CIRCULAR CONCRETE WALK ON THE WEST HALF OF
- 8 THE PARK LOT AND A DECOMPOSED GRANITE TRAIL MEANDERING ALONG
- 9 THE EAST HALF OF THE PARK LOT TURF AND TURF COVERING THE
- 10 REMAINDER OF THE LOT. THE PROJECT ALSO REQUESTS A LOCAL PLAN
- 11 AMENDMENT TO THE WEST ATHENS WESTMONT NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN FROM
- 12 SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE TO TWO-FAMILY RESIDENCE AND A REQUEST
- 13 FOR A ZONE CHANGE FROM SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL TO
- 14 RESIDENTIAL PLAN DEVELOPMENT ZONE. THE INVESTING TENTATIVE MAP
- 15 HAS BEEN FILED TO AUTHORIZE THE SUBDIVISION OF 69 UNITS, A
- 16 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT HAS ALSO BEEN FILED TO ALLOW A PLANNED
- 17 RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT IN COMPLIANCE WITH R.P.D. PROVISIONS
- 18 WITH MODIFICATIONS INCLUDING BUILDING SEPARATION FROM 10 FEET
- 19 TO 7 FEET, REDUCE REAR YARD SETBACKS FOR ONE UNIT FROM 15 FEET
- 20 TO 5 FEET AND ALLOWING A 6-FOOT HIGH WALL WITHIN THE FRONT
- 21 YARD SETBACK. A NEGATIVE DECLARATION HAS BEEN PREPARED FOR
- 22 THIS PROJECT. IT WAS DETERMINED THAT THIS PROJECT WILL NOT
- 23 EXCEED THE ESTABLISHED THRESHOLD CRITERIA FOR ANY
- 24 ENVIRONMENTAL FACTOR; AND AS A RESULT, WILL NOT HAVE A
- 25 SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT AND IS ALSO



- 1 BEFORE YOU THIS AFTERNOON. THIS PROJECT WAS BEFORE THE
- 2 REGIONAL PLAN COMMISSION ON FEBRUARY 28TH, 2007. INITIAL
- 3 CONCERNS RAISED AT THE PUBLIC HEARING INCLUDED ORIGINAL
- 4 PROPOSED ZONE CHANGE TO R-2 D.P. THAT COULD CREATE A PRESENCE
- 5 THAT WOULD ALLOW MULTI-FAMILY DEVELOPMENT IN THE EXISTING
- 6 NEIGHBORHOOD, WHICH CONSISTS PRIMARILY OF SINGLE-FAMILY
- 7 RESIDENCES. DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING, THE APPLICANT AGREED TO
- 8 WORK WITH STAFF ON REVISING THE ZONE CHANGE REQUEST FROM R-2
- 9 D.P. TO R.P.D. 5,000 10-U, RESIDENTIAL PLAN DEVELOPMENT, 5,000
- 10 SQUARE FEET MINIMUM REQUIRED LOT AREA, 10 DWELLING UNITS PER
- 11 NET ACRE. A PROPOSED R.P.D. ZONE WILL ALLOW THE APPLICANT TO
- 12 MAINTAIN THE 69 DWELLING UNITS PROPOSED AND WILL ALSO REQUIRE
- 13 30 PERCENT OF OPEN SPACE. THE COMMISSION APPROVED THE PROJECT
- 14 ON MAY 7TH, 2008 WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT YOUR BOARD
- 15 APPROVE THE LOCAL PLAN AMENDMENT AND ZONE CHANGE. THAT
- 16 CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION AND STAFF IS AVAILABLE TO ANSWER ANY
- 17 QUESTIONS AT THIS TIME.

- 19 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. ARE THERE ANY ISSUES THAT WE
- 20 NEED TO-- ALL RIGHT. THREE PEOPLE HAVE ASKED TO APPEAR. JIM
- 21 GREENE, CHARLES MOORE AND HENRY PORTER, JR. THEY'RE ALL IN
- 22 SUPPORT, IS THAT CORRECT? WOULD YOU LIKE TO COME FORWARD TO
- 23 SPEAK? EVERYONE IS IN SUPPORT OF IT. THEN I HAVE A MOTION THAT
- 24 WE PASSED OUT. RE: ZONE CHANGE CASE 2006-0007-2, COMMUNITY
- 25 PLAN AMENDMENT CASE NUMBER 2006-00006 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT



- 1 NUMBER 2006-00158 IN SECOND DISTRICT, INVESTING TENTATIVE
- 2 TRACT MAP NUMBER 06-7377. APPROVAL OF THIS APPLICATION WILL
- 3 AUTHORIZE DEVELOPMENT OF 69 DETACHED CONDOMINIUM UNITS ON
- 4 6.87-ACRE PARCELS OF LAND LOCATED AT 1535 WEST 120TH STREET IN
- 5 THE WEST ATHENS WESTMONT COMMUNITY. THE SITE IS CONVENIENTLY
- 6 LOCATED NEAR A METRO GREEN LINE STATION AND ALSO VERY CLOSE TO
- 7 THE 105 AND 110 FREEWAY CORRIDOR. THIS IS AN AREA OF THE
- 8 UNINCORPORATED COUNTY THAT HAS NOT EXPERIENCED NEW RESIDENTIAL
- 9 DEVELOPMENT FOR THE PAST 25 YEARS. THE SITE WAS FORMERLY USED
- 10 FOR OIL PRODUCTION AND CURRENTLY CONTAINS ABANDONED WELLS AND
- 11 STORAGE TANKS. THE ESTIMATED REMEDIATION COSTS FOR THIS
- 12 PROPERTY ARE 2,450,000. NOT MANY DEVELOPERS ARE WILLING TO
- 13 DEVELOP SITES SUCH AS THIS ONE. THERE ARE OTHER SITES IN THE
- 14 IMMEDIATE VICINITY OF THIS ONE AND SUFFER FROM SIMILAR
- 15 PROBLEMS. I HOPE THAT THIS APPROVAL WILL ENCOURAGE OWNERS OF
- 16 THOSE OTHER VACANT RESIDENTIAL LOTS TO FOLLOW THE LEAD OF THIS
- 17 DEVELOPER. THE DENSITY OF THIS PROJECT IS CONSISTENT WITH
- 18 EXISTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PATTERNS AND NOTEWORTHY AMENITY
- 19 OF THIS OF THIS PROJECT IS THAT IT CONTAINS 2.3-ACRE OPEN
- 20 SPACE PRIVATE PARK FOR THE RESIDENTS' USE. I AM IMPRESSED BY
- 21 THE CAREFUL DESIGN, LANDSCAPING PLAN, ALSO IMPRESSED WITH
- 22 ATTENTION OF DETAIL GIVEN TO THE FRONT WALL DESIGN WHICH DOES
- 23 A NICE JOB OF INTEGRATING THIS NEW DEVELOPMENT WITH THE
- 24 SURROUNDING COMMUNITY AND COULD SERVE AS A CATALYST FOR FUTURE
- 25 DEVELOPMENT OF NEARBY PROPERTIES. I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE



- 1 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND INSTRUCT
- 2 COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE APPROPRIATE FINDINGS AND CONDITIONS
- 3 TO APPROVE ZONE CHANGE CASE NUMBER 2006-0007-2 SECOND DISTRICT
- 4 COMMUNITY PLAN AMENDMENT CASE 2006-00006 SECOND DISTRICT
- 5 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT CASE 2006-00158, SECOND DISTRICT
- 6 VESTING TENTATIVE TRACT MAP NUMBER 067377 AND ALSO APPROVE THE
- 7 COMPANY NEGATIVE DECLARATION. SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT
- 8 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THAT'S ALL THAT I
- 9 HAVE. PUBLIC COMMENTS? ANN FAKTOROVICH, NICK DASSIAN, STEVE
- 10 DASSIAN, AND PARVIZ ARIA? WOULD YOU COME FORWARD? WE'LL TAKE
- 11 ANNA FAKTOROVICH FIRST. AND THEN WE'LL HAVE-- YES, WOULD YOU
- 12 PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME?

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14 ANNA FAKTOROVICH: HI, MY NAME IS ANNA FAKTOROVICH. I HAVE A

- 15 MASTERS' DEGREE. I WAS ACCEPTED TO TEACH AT THE SENTINEL
- 16 VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT AS A SUBSTITUTE TEACHER. HOWEVER TODAY,
- 17 THE SUBSTITUTE SUB FINDER SYSTEM IS DOWN SO I SAID I'D COME
- 18 HERE INSTEAD. I MADE TWO PUBLIC COMMENTS PREVIOUSLY TO THE
- 19 BOARD AND ONE WAS ABOUT THE METRO AND THE OTHER WAS ABOUT
- 20 INFERIOR HOUSING PRACTICES. THIS COMMENT IS ABOUT THE UNFAIR
- 21 TREATMENT OF HOMELESS PEOPLE BY THE POLICE. I WAS HARASSED AT
- 22 A SHELTER. I BECAME HOMELESS BECAUSE OF ALL THE PROBLEMS THAT
- 23 I TOLD YOU ABOUT PREVIOUSLY. I WAS VICTIMIZED, BATTERED AND
- 24 SUCH. AND I WAS FIRED AND ET CETERA. AND SO I HAD MY PANTS, MY
- 25 SHIRT, MY SOCKS AND MY UNDERWEAR STOLEN AT A SHELTER WHERE I



- 1 WAS STAYING IN ORANGE COUNTY, WHICH IS THE ONLY SHELTER THAT I
- 2 COULD FIND. ALL OF THE SHELTERS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY WERE
- 3 FULL. I HAD ALL OF MY THINGS STOLEN. AND THE POLICE OFFICER
- 4 CAME IN, AFTER I CALLED HIM. AND HE SUPPORTED THE STAFF THERE
- 5 AND SAID THAT SINCE I HAD ALL OF MY THINGS STOLEN, I HAD TO
- 6 LEAVE THE SHELTER AND SLEEP IN MY CAR. SO INSTEAD OF HELPING
- 7 ME AND INVESTIGATING AND I SAW THE WOMAN WHO WAS LYING RIGHT
- 8 NEXT TO ME WHO OBVIOUSLY WAS THE ONE WHO STOLE MY THINGS. I
- 9 SAID SHE IS THE ONE THAT STOLE THEM. INSTEAD OF OUESTIONING
- 10 HER, HE SIMPLY STILL ASKED ME TO LEAVE THE SHELTER. AND SO I
- 11 HAD TO SLEEP IN MY CAR. AFTER THAT AND BEFORE THAT I SPENT
- 12 ANOTHER NIGHT IN MY CAR. AND I REALLY JUST HAVE BEEN HAVING
- 13 ALL SORTS OF PROBLEMS THAT YOU CAN POSSIBLY IMAGINE. I WENT TO
- 14 DOZENS AND DOZENS OF INTERVIEWS. ONE SCHOOL DISTRICT, THE
- 15 MONROVIA SCHOOL DISTRICT INVITED ME FOR ONE INTERVIEW. AND
- 16 THEN AFTER I PASSED THE TEST, WAS THE DISTRICT FOR AN
- 17 INSTRUCTIONAL ASSISTANT JOB I HAVE A MASTER'S DEGREE AND I
- 18 HAVE ABOUT OVER A YEAR OF TEACHING EXPERIENCE. THEY
- 19 INTERVIEWED WITH ME, AND AFTER AN INTERVIEW, AS YOU CAN SEE,
- 20 I'M A PRETTY NICE PERSON IN PERSON. THEY DIDN'T GIVE ME THE
- 21 JOB. AND THEN THEY INVITED ME TO TAKE THE TEST ONCE AGAIN. SO
- 22 THEY STILL HIRING. THEY NEED SOMEBODY. BUT THEY JUST DIDN'T
- 23 HIRE ME. WHY? WELL? AND I HAVE MADE COMPLAINTS TO THIS BOARD.
- 24 I HAVE SUBMITTED ABOUT 100-PAGE REPORTS. THE TWO REPORTS THAT
- 25 I SUBMITTED TO THIS BOARD, SO FAR 100 PAGES, I DID NOT RECEIVE



- 1 ANY HELP FROM ANYBODY ON THIS BOARD. ANY REPLIES, ANY REAL
- 2 ASSISTANCE. I GAVE REPORTS TO THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE. THE
- 3 SHERIFF DID NOT REPLY IN ANY WAY. AND SO I HAVE BEEN BATTERED.
- 4 I HAVE BEEN ASSAULTED. I HAVE HAD MY THINGS STOLEN. I HAVE HAD
- 5 JUST ABOUT EVERYTHING STOLEN AND TAKEN AWAY FROM ME AND THERE
- 6 HAS BEEN NO INVESTIGATION AND I HAVE RECEIVED NO HELP. I DO
- 7 HOPE THAT SOMEBODY FROM THIS BOARD WILL REPLY, WILL HELP,
- 8 OTHERWISE WHY ARE YOU ALL EMPLOYED? WHY DO YOU HAVE A JOB IF
- 9 YOU ARE NOT OBLIGATED TO HELP THOSE IN NEED?

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- 11 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: WE HAVE HAD INVESTIGATIONS, THEY'LL SHARE
- 12 WITH YOU THE RESULT OF SOME OF THE INVESTIGATIONS. THANK YOU.
- 13 NICK DESSIAN, AND STEVE DESSIAN, WOULD YOU STATE YOUR NAME?
- 14 WHICHEVER ORDER YOU WISH TO.

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16 NICK DESSIAN: I'LL GIVE MY TIME TO PAR.

- 18 PARVIZ ARIA: MY NAME IS PARVIZ ARIA, I AM THE C.E.O. OF THE
- 19 FARM FRESH RANCH MARKET IN THE ALTADENA LINCOLN CROSSING. ON
- 20 JULY 21ST, '08 I SUBMITTED FARM FRESH RANCH MARKET CORPORATION
- 21 NAME AS A CANDIDACY IN THE WEST PACK, WHICH IS IN ALTADENA.
- 22 AND THE STAFF OF C.D.C., MR. JOHNSON, WHICH IS PRESENT HERE
- 23 TODAY, LATER DATE FOUND THAT-- I FOUND OUT THAT C.D.C. DID NOT
- 24 PUT MY NAME IN THE LIST OF THE CANDIDATES ALTHOUGH SOME OF THE
- 25 COMMUNITIES WANTED TO VOTE FOR ME. SUBSEQUENTLY FARM FRESH DID



- 1 NOT RECEIVE ANY VOTE. PRIOR TO JULY 28, THE ELECTION DAY, MS.
- 2 SHARON WARFIELD REQUESTED FROM MY REPRESENTATIVE THAT I SHOULD
- 3 PREPARE SOME STATE DOCUMENTS THAT PRESENTED TO THIS BODY,
- 4 WHICH I DID IT TO WEST PACK. AND THEN I BELIEVE THIS WAS JUST
- 5 TO MAKE A DELAY ON MY ACCEPTANCE OF THE BEING ELECTED. ON
- 6 AUGUST 25TH, '08, AT WEST PACK MEETING, MS. SHARON WARFIELD,
- 7 ON BEHALF OF MR. JOHNSON AND CHAIRPERSON MS. BRODAS STATED
- 8 THAT PRIOR TO JULY 28TH ELECTION, THEY WERE ALL AWARE THAT
- 9 FARM FRESH RANCH MARKET WOULD NOT BE PLACED ON THE BALLOTS.
- 10 AND IT WILL BE BECAUSE IT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE THAT LOCATION
- 11 THAT I WAS OCCUPYING AT THAT TIME WILL BE REPLACED BY ANOTHER
- 12 SUPERMARKET CALLED SUPER KING. SINCE EVERYBODY WAS PLAYING
- 13 JOKE ON US AND EVERYBODY EXCEPT US KNEW THAT FARM FRESH WOULD
- 14 NOT BE OPERATING AT THAT LOCATION ANY MORE ELIMINATED OF MY
- 15 CANDIDACY WAS NOTHING BUT CONSPIRACY AND MISCONDUCT OF FEDERAL
- 16 ELECTION LAWS AS WELL AS UNFAIR AND BIASED. I WOULD LIKE TO
- 17 LET YOU KNOW THAT IN CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER WHO THE FARM FRESH
- 18 RANCH MARKET IN ALTADENA CROSSING. COMMUNITY OF ALTADENA HAVE
- 19 TRIED FOR 26 YEARS BRINGING A FULL SERVICE OPERATION TO THE
- 20 COMMUNITY FOR THE REASON OF OTHER MAJOR SUPERMARKETS WILL
- 21 NEVER COME TO THAT LOCATION. AND FINALLY THE CHAIN STORES WILL
- 22 DEMAND MANY DEMANDS THAT WILL NOT MET. ON YEAR 2004, THE
- 23 DEVELOPER DON PLATS WITH THE RECOMMENDATION OF COMMUNITY SINCE
- 24 WE HAD ANOTHER STORE IN THE PASADENA FOR 30 YEARS AND
- 25 HOLLYWOOD AND OTHER LOCATIONS, AND THEY PROMISED US THAT THEY



- 1 WILL MAKE IT A TURNKEY PROJECT FOR US. BUT HOWEVER, WE
- 2 FINISHED THE WORK BY OURSELVES WHICH WERE NOT FINISHED BY THE
- 3 LANDLORD AND ALSO C.D.C. ALL ALONG THEY KNEW THAT THE LANDLORD
- 4 IS NOT DOING HIS PERFORMANCE. THE PROJECT WAS PLEDGED--
- 5 PLAGUED WITH CONSTANT MISMANAGEMENT AND DELAYS. AFTER ALMOST
- 6 ONE YEAR DELAY WITH MOST CODE VIOLATIONS, FINALLY ON DECEMBER
- 7 28TH FARM FRESH RANCH MARKET OPENED THEIR DOORS FOR THE
- 8 PUBLIC, WITHOUT ANY HELP OF THE BUILDER. WE FINISHED THE WORK
- 9 INSTEAD OF BUILDER. WHEREAS THE DEVELOPER COMMITTED MANY
- 10 COUNTY CODE VIOLATIONS AS WELL AS VIOLATIONS TO THE LEASES TO
- 11 THE EXTENT THAT INSPECTORS OF COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES WOULD NOT
- 12 ISSUE ANY TEMPORARY OCCUPANCY PERMIT T.O.C. UP-TO-DATE AT THIS
- 13 MOMENT. HOWEVER THE DEVELOPER KEPT ENJOYING ALL VIOLATIONS
- 14 WITHOUT COMMISSIONERS OF C.D.C. EITHER STOPPING THE PROJECT
- 15 AND/OR DEMANDING THE VIOLATION TO BE CURED. DUE TO ONE YEAR
- 16 DELAY IN OPENING, MAIN ACCESS ROADS WERE BLOCKED AND ALSO
- 17 CONSTRUCTION WAS DELAYED AS WELL AS THE STENCH OF THE SMELL IN
- 18 THE RETAIL STORE INSIDE AND THE PARKING LOT AND SEWER SYSTEM
- 19 BACKUP. TENANTS SUFFERED IRREVERSIBLY AND EFFECT OF THE ABOVE
- 20 PROBLEMS BECAME DETRIMENTAL TO OUR BUSINESSES UNTIL SOME
- 21 TENANTS HAD TO CLOSE THEIR DOORS FOR GOOD. AS FOR FARM FRESH
- 22 RANCH MARKET, WE SOLD TWO SUPER MARKETS PLUS TWO COMMERCIAL
- 23 PROPERTY AND ONE WAREHOUSE AND ONE COMMERCIAL BUILDING IN
- 24 ORDER TO SUPPORT THIS LOCATION. WE SEEK TIME TO TIME FINANCE
- 25 HELP FROM C.D.C. AND/OR MR. ANTONOVICH'S OFFICES, BUT FOR

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PASSED.

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UNKNOWN REASONS, THEY REJECTED OUR REQUESTS. UPON OPENING THE 1 STORE, FARM FRESH RANCH MARKET AND THE DEVELOPER HAS 2 3 ONGOING NEGOTIATION REFERENCE TO THE TENANT IMPROVEMENT WHICH WAS SUPPOSED TO BE INITIALLY ABSORBED BY THE DEVELOPER ON 4 5 TURNKEY BASIS. THE DEVELOPER DEMANDED \$800,000 AND THE UNILATERALLY INCREASED THAT TO 1.5 MILLION, SUBSEQUENT TO THE 6 7 DEVELOPERS SUED FARM FRESH FOR 1 1/2 MILLION DOLLARS. THAT WAS 8 IMMEDIATELY AT THE TIME THAT WE OPENED THE STORE. FARM FRESH, FOR THE SAKE OF CONCENTRATING ON THEIR BUSINESS, AGREED AND SETTLED WITH DEVELOPER \$1.5 MILLION PLUS \$250,000 CASH TO BE 10 11 PAID DURING DECEMBER '07 AND JANUARY '08. BUT AT THIS AT THIS TIME MANY JUDGMENTS AGAINST THE DEVELOPER BY THE CONTRACTOR 12 ARRIVED TO THE DEVELOPER OFFICE, WHICH MR. JOHNSON AND C.D.C., 13 ALL OF WHOM ARE AWARE OF THIS MATTERS. SUBSEQUENTLY FOR THE 14 15 WRIT OF ATTACHMENT THAT CAME TO OUR ATTENTION TO FARM FRESH, 16 WE HAVE NO OPTION BUT TO PAY SOME OF THE \$250,000 CASH EITHER TO--17 18 19 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED, SIR. WE GAVE YOU ALL 20 THREE TIMES. 21 22 PARVIZ ARIA: I WILL MAKE IT JUST ONE FINAL REMARK ON THAT. 23

SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: VERY, VERY FAST BECAUSE YOUR TIME HAS



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- 2 PARVIZ ARIA: VERY, VERY FAST, MA'AM. WE BELIEVE THAT THERE
- 3 HAVE BEEN LOTS OF UNJUSTICE IN THAT LOCATION. SO MANY PEOPLE
- 4 HAVE LOST. I HAVE LOST \$15 MILLION PLUS. WE HAVE LOST TWO
- 5 BUILDING THAT IS \$50 MILLION WE HAVE PUT IN THIS PROJECT. THE
- 6 TRUSTEE NOW HAS CLOSED OUR DOORS, HUNDRED EMPLOYEES ARE OUT.
- 7 AT THE SAME TIME WE BELIEVE THAT THIS BODY, ESPECIALLY MR.
- 8 MIKE ANTONOVICH'S OFFICE, DID NOT DO THE JOB THAT THEY WERE DO
- 9 FOR THE PUBLIC--

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11 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED.

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- 13 PARVIZ ARIA: -- TO BE RECALLING MR. MIKE ANTONOVICH. THANK YOU
- 14 VERY MUCH.

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16 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: AND THERE'S SOMEONE FROM HIS OFFICE?

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- 18 SUP. ANTONOVICH: ON THAT CASE, THE COURT-- THIS WAS A
- 19 MANAGEMENT TENANT ISSUE. AND THE COURT RULED IN FAVOR OF THE
- 20 OWNER OF THE PROJECT, AND THAT WAS THE COURT DECISION. AND THE
- 21 COMMUNITY VOTED FOR THEIR REPRESENTATIVES ON THE BOARD THAT
- 22 THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CREATED FOR THE OVERSEEING OF THAT
- 23 PROJECT.



- 1 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, COUNTY COUNSEL
- 2 CAN ADDRESS THOSE. REVEREND C.R. TILLMAN AND KIMBERLY JOHNSON.

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4 PARVIZ ARIA: THANK YOU.

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6 NICK DESSIAN: THANKS.

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- 8 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: ALSO JAHI ESANNASON CAN COME FORWARD, TOO.
- 9 MR. SACHS, YOU MAY WANT TO START FORWARD.

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- 11 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME. HAVE A SEAT, SIR
- 12 AND STATE YOUR NAME.

- 14 JAHI ESANNASON: JAHI ESANNASON. I'M HERE TO ASK THE BOARD FOR
- 15 ASSISTANCE WITH CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. I'M A SINGLE
- 16 PARENT OF THREE. HAVE BEEN SO FOR 10 YEARS. I'VE RECENTLY BEEN
- 17 REFERRED TO THE CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES FOR SMACKING MY
- 18 YOUNGEST CHILD. WHEN ASKING FAMILY AND CHILDREN SERVICES FOR
- 19 CLARIFICATION ON THE LAW ON SPANKING MY CHILD, THEY REFUSED TO
- 20 GIVE ME ANY INFORMATION WHATSOEVER. I'VE BEEN ASKING THEM FOR
- 21 HELP FOR QUITE SOME TIME. I'VE BEEN TREATED UNFAIRLY BY MY
- 22 SOCIAL WORKER. AND I NEED HELP. THEY'RE MAKING IT IMPOSSIBLE
- 23 FOR ME TO TAKE CARE OF MY CHILDREN. THEY ARE ASKING FOR
- 24 UNREASONABLE TIME IN ORDER FOR THEM TO SEE MY CHILDREN. I WORK
- 25 A FULL JOB. I ASKED THEM TO GIVE ME A WEEK'S NOTICE BEFORE YOU



- 1 COME TO SEE THE CHILDREN AND THE SOCIAL WORKER HAS GIVEN ME
- 2 DIFFICULTY ON DOING SO. SO I'M HERE TO ASK FOR HELP FROM THAT.

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- 4 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: SOMEONE FROM CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES
- 5 WILL SPEAK TO YOU.

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7 SUP. ANTONOVICH: WHERE DO YOU LIVE?

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9 JAHI ESANNASON: I LIVE IN THE CITY OF HAWTHORN.

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11 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: AND SOMEONE FROM OUR OFFICE IS HERE.

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13 SUP. ANTONOVICH: HER OFFICE AND THE DEPARTMENT.

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- 15 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: I THINK WENDY TATE'S HERE, ALSO. AND
- 16 SOMEONE FROM THE DEPARTMENT.

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18 SUP. ANTONOVICH: SOMEONE WILL MEET WITH YOU.

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- 20 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: WENDY TATE WAS HERE A MOMENT AGO. OKAY. YOU
- 21 HAD TO SPEAK WITH HIM? OKAY. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME.

- 23 ARNOLD SACHS: I'M GOING TO SPEAK FIRST, MADAME PRESIDENT.
- 24 THANK YOU. ARNOLD SACHS. TO TALK ABOUT METRO AGAIN. I JUST
- 25 WANTED TO BRING UP A FEW THINGS BECAUSE AS YOU KNOW, THE HALF



- 1 CENT SALES TAX IS ON THE BALLOT FOR THIS NOVEMBER, AN
- 2 IMPORTANT MOMENT IN THE COUNTY. AND I'D LIKE TO QUOTE FROM
- 3 SOME OF THE ARTICLES THAT HAVE BEEN IN THE NEWSPAPER.
- 4 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, QUOTE, "IT'S A UTILITARIAN COUNTRY.
- 5 SOMEONE HAS TO STAND UP AND SAY THIS IS NONSENSE. SO I'M
- 6 STANDING UP TO SAY THIS IS NONSENSE." SUPERVISOR MOLINA SAID,
- 7 "THIS IS A PLAN, A SCHEME TO GET MORE FOR THE ONE SIDE OF TOWN
- 8 VERSUS THE OTHER. A LITTLE CHOO-CHOO ON THE BALLOT. BACK ROOM
- 9 DEALS BETWEEN THE M.T.A. AND MAYOR VILLARAIGOSA. A POLITICAL
- 10 PORK BARREL RIP OFF. ILL CONCEIVED RUSH JOB FORCED THROUGH BY
- 11 M.T.A. AND THE CITY. STATE LAWMAKERS DEVELOPED STRATEGY FOR
- 12 WHO WOULD GET THE BIG PIECE OF THE PIE FROM SALES TAX." AND
- 13 THAT'S ALL FUN AND GOOD AND WELL AND DONE EXCEPT FOR ONE
- 14 LITTLE PROBLEM HERE THAT I DON'T KNOW. 2003, STATE BILL 314 BY
- 15 MURRAY WAS CREATED TO GIVE METRO AN ADDITIONAL AUTHORITY TO
- 16 PLACE A HALF CENT SALES TAX ON THE BALLOT WITH SPECIFIED
- 17 CONDITIONS THE FUEHRER BILL THAT EVERYBODY IS TALKING ABOUT IS
- 18 ACTUALLY A BILL THAT WILL CHANGE THE SPECIFICS OF THIS HALF
- 19 CENT SALES TAX. SO ALL THIS TALK ABOUT BACK ROOM DEALING AND
- 20 RUSH JOBS AND LITTLE CHOO-CHOOS AND ALL THIS OTHER BALONEY,
- 21 PLEASE, WHAT HAPPENED FROM THE YEAR 2003 WHEN THE ACTUAL, THE
- 22 MURRAY BILL FOR THE ORIGINAL HALF CENT SALES TAX, WHICH WAS TO
- 23 FUND 18 PROJECTS FOR A TOTAL OF \$4.5 BILLION WAS PUT ON THE
- 24 BILL? WHERE HAVE YOU ALL BEEN? THAT'S FIVE YEARS AGO. AND I'D
- 25 ALSO LIKE TO JUST POINT OUT REALLY QUICKLY THAT AN ARTICLE



- I FROM THE METRO MAGAZINE STATES THAT 1980, PROPOSITION A WAS
- 2 PASSED. WILSHIRE SUBWAY FROM DOWNTOWN TO FAIR FAX AVENUE. WE
- 3 HAVE THE WEST SIDE EXTENSION TRANSIT CORRIDOR, ALTERNATIVE
- 4 ANALYSIS F.A.O. SHEET NUMBER 1. WILSHIRE WESTERN TO PICO SAN
- 5 VICENTE, IN 1994 FULL FUNDING GRANT FROM THE FEDERAL
- 6 GOVERNMENT. 1998 IT WAS CANCELED. LACK OF FUNDING. WHAT
- 7 HAPPENED? THERE'S 17 STUDIES FOR THE WILSHIRE CORRIDOR. 28
- 8 YEARS OF STUDYING FOR THE WILSHIRE CORRIDOR. THIS IS A
- 9 SYMPOSIUM FROM S.C.A.G., SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA GOVERNANCE.
- 10 TAKING STRATEGIES FROM CONCEPT TO ADOPTION TO IMPLEMENTATION.
- 12 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: THANK YOU, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED.
- 14 ARNOLD SACHS: CONCEPTS. WHEN DO WE GET AN ADOPTION AND
- 15 IMPLEMENTATION? THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME, YOUR ANSWERS AND YOUR
- 16 ATTENTION.

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- 18 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME? KIMBERLY JOHNSON?
- 19 LENGANJI CHASE SIAME AND ETHELL JOHNSON. PLEASE COME FORWARD.
- 20 PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME, REVEREND TILLMAN. PLEASE STATE YOUR
- 21 NAME.
- 23 REV. C. TILLMAN: OH THANK YOU. I WAS WAITING FOR SOMEONE NOT
- 24 TO SHOW UP.

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1 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: NO, YOU'RE UP.

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- 3 REV. C. TILLMAN: THANK YOU. MY NAME IS REVEREND C.R. TILLMAN
- 4 AND I'M COMING TO SPEAK ON ITEM NUMBER 27 AND ASK FOR
- 5 RECONSIDERATION. IF THAT IS NOT GRANTED BY WAY OF MOTION, THEN
- 6 I WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THIS BODY ON ITEM NUMBER 50, PUBLIC
- 7 COMMENT AND APPLY THAT TO ITEM NUMBER. 27.

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9 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: FINE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. PROCEED.

- 11 REV. C.R. TILLMAN: I DO WANT TO GIVE DUE RESPECT, MADAME MAYOR
- 12 AND ALSO TO SUPERVISOR KNABE AND ALSO SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND OF
- 13 COURSE MY SUPERVISOR MIKE ANTONOVICH. WE ARE IN A HISTORICAL
- 14 PERIOD OF THIS COUNTRY. AND I'M DEMONSTRATING THAT BY THE T-
- 15 SHIRT OF OBAMA AND MARTIN LUTHER KING, THE THINGS THAT THEY
- 16 STOOD FOR, THE CIVIL RIGHTS THAT THEY WENT THROUGH IN THAT
- 17 TIME PERIOD AND THE ELECTION THAT WE HAVE COMING UP IN
- 18 NOVEMBER. BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY THE ELECTION THAT WE JUST HAD
- 19 JULY 28TH. AND THIS IS THE THIRD ELECTION I PERSONALLY HAVE
- 20 BEEN INVOLVED IN. AND THIS IS THE THIRD TIME THAT THERE HAS
- 21 BEEN A PATTERN OF BEHAVIOR BY C.D.C. THAT GIVES THE IMPRESSION
- 22 THAT THE ELECTION WAS UNFAIR. CERTAINLY IT'S EASIER TO SAY
- 23 THAT THAN DEMONSTRATE THAT FACTS THAT DEMONSTRATE THAT. BUT
- 24 THE KEY FACT WAS THIS: FARM FRESH MARKET IS IN A DISPUTE WITH
- 25 THE LANDLORD. HE DISPLAYED THAT EARLIER. AND THE COURT MADE A



- 1 RULING. AND C.D.C. WAS AWARE OF THE DISPUTE. AS A RESULT OF
- 2 THAT KNOWLEDGE, WE BELIEVE IT INFLUENCED C.D.C. EITHER
- 3 SUBCONSCIOUSLY OR CONSCIOUSLY TO GIVE THE IMPRESSION TO THE
- 4 COMMUNITY THAT WAS VOTING THAT THEY DID NOT WANT FARM FRESH
- 5 REPRESENTED WITH MYSELF AND FARM FRESH ON THE PACK. NOW,
- 6 THERE'S ONLY THREE POSSIBILITIES. EITHER THE CHAIRMAN OF A
- 7 MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR CORPORATION IS SO STUPID AND SO
- 8 UNINFORMED AND SO CLUMSY THAT HE COULD NOT FIGURE OUT HOW TO
- 9 PUT A BALLOT IN THE BALLOT BOX OR C.D.C. DID UNDUE INFLUENCE
- 10 AND THEY INTIMIDATED HIM NOT TO VOTE BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T LIKE
- 11 HIS REPRESENTATIVE OR HIS CORPORATION, OR LASTLY, SOMEONE
- 12 TAMPERED WITH THE ELECTION BOX, AS HAPPENED ONCE BEFORE IN A
- 13 PREVIOUS ELECTION. SO I'M HERE TO SAY THAT WE WOULD LIKE TO
- 14 HAVE THAT ADDRESSED. AND THEN MORE IMPORTANTLY ON THE LEGAL
- 15 FRONT, ON ITEM NUMBER SECTION 600 OF THE PACK APPROVAL IT
- 16 STATES THAT THIS BOARD IS SUPPOSED TO APPROVE OUR ELECTIONS
- 17 WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE ELECTION, WHICH DIDN'T TAKE PLACE. AND
- 18 THAT'S A LEGAL CHALLENGE TO THE RULES. BUT LASTLY, I'M
- 19 MOTIVATED TO GIVE MY PRESENTATION BECAUSE OF WHAT OBAMA BRINGS
- 20 TO THE TABLE AS FAR AS CHANGE. THIS WHOLE ELECTION WITH THE
- 21 PRESIDENT WILL BOIL DOWN TO TWO LETTERS. O.B., WHICH IS OH
- 22 BEAUTIFUL. OR M.P., MILITARY POLICE. AND I THINK BUSH AND
- 23 MCCAIN DON'T REPRESENT ANY REAL CHANGE AND I'M ASKING THIS
- 24 BODY TO SHOW SOME CHANGE IN HOW WE DO BUSINESS AS USUAL AS FAR
- 25 AS THE ELECTION IS CONCERNED. MEANING THAT WE WILL NO LONGER



- 1 RUBBER STAMP QUESTIONABLE ELECTIONS BUT GET TO THE TRUTH, AND
- 2 HAVE SOME REAL CHANGE.

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4 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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6 REV. C. TILLMAN: THANK YOU VERY KINDLY.

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8 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: KIMBERLY?

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- 10 SUP. ANTONOVICH: -- THERE WAS A PREVIOUS SPEAKER WHO HAD
- 11 MENTIONED THAT, AS WELL. THE ELECTION AND THE COURT RULING.

- 13 BILL JOHNSON: GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. I'M BILL JOHNSON. I'M
- 14 THE SENIOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MANAGER WITH THE COMMUNITY
- 15 DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION. AND I WAS THERE FOR THE ELECTION. THE
- 16 SPECIFIC ISSUE IS AROUND ONE CANDIDATE. I SHOULD BACK UP A
- 17 MOMENT AND JUST SAY THAT 30 DAYS PRIOR TO THE ACTUAL ELECTION,
- 18 WE HAVE A PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING. WE PASS OUT A PACKET OF
- 19 WHAT THE PROCEDURES ARE. AND WE BASICALLY REQUEST ANYONE WHO
- 20 IS GOING TO BE A CANDIDATE TO PROVIDE INFORMATION AT LEAST A
- 21 WEEK IN ADVANCE OF THE ELECTION MEETING IN ORDER TO HAVE THEIR
- 22 NAME ON THE BALLOT. ONE GROUP THAT WANTED TO RUN IN THE
- 23 BUSINESS CATEGORY INDICATED THEY WANTED TO RUN BUT DID NOT
- 24 PROVIDE THEIR DOCUMENTATION IN TIME TO HAVE THEIR NAME ON THE
- 25 BALLOT. AND THAT WAS MR. ARIA WITH FARM FRESH WHO ALSO



- 1 DESIGNATED MR. TILLMAN AS HIS REPRESENTATIVE. AT THE NIGHT OF
- 2 THE MEETING, WHEN MR. ARIA WANTED TO BE ABLE TO VOTE, I
- 3 INFORMED HIM THAT HE NEEDED TO GIVE ME THE DOCUMENTATION
- 4 NEEDED TO HAVE A CANDIDATE. HE THEN PROVIDED THE
- 5 DOCUMENTATION. OUR BYLAWS ALLOW WRITE-IN CANDIDATES. SO HE WAS
- 6 ADDED AS A WRITE-IN CANDIDATE. THE NAME IS ACTUALLY ALSO
- 7 POSTED IN THE ROOM WHERE THE ELECTION IS HELD. AND IT WAS ON
- 8 THE BOARD FOR ALL TO SEE. APPARENTLY MR. ARIA, WHO HAD A
- 9 BALLOT, DID NOT VOTE FOR HIS OWN CANDIDATE. BECAUSE WHEN THE
- 10 BALLOTS WERE TALLIED BY THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF
- 11 PASADENA, THERE WERE NO VOTES FOR FARM FRESH AND MR. TILLMAN.
- 12 SO WITH NO VOTES, HE WAS NOT THEN DESIGNATED AS AN ELECTED
- 13 REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PACK. THE PACK DOES HAVE OTHER
- 14 VACANCIES, AND THERE ARE PROCEDURES IN THE BYLAWS FOR FILLING
- 15 THOSE VACANCIES THAT OCCUR. IT'S ONLY THE PACK THAT CAN FILL
- 16 THE VACANCIES. THE BOARD HAS DESIGNATED THAT AUTHORITY TO
- 17 THEM. THEY WOULD HAVE TO DO IT AT ONE OF THEIR MEETINGS. SO
- 18 THAT OPTION IS STILL OPEN FOR CANDIDATES THAT MEET THE
- 19 ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA.

21 SUP. ANTONOVICH: AND THE COURT DECISION?

23 BILL JOHNSON: I'M SORRY.

25 SUP. ANTONOVICH: AND THE COURT DECISION?

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- 2 BILL JOHNSON: OH. THERE IS AN ISSUE RELATIVE TO TIMING. IN THE
- 3 BYLAWS, THERE IS A 15-DAY APPEAL PERIOD AFTER THE ELECTION.
- 4 AND THEN THERE IS ALSO A STATEMENT IN THAT SAME PARAGRAPH
- 5 ABOUT 30 DAYS BY WHICH TO BRING IT TO THE BOARD. THERE SIMPLY
- 6 ISN'T A REASONABLE TIME FRAME TO WAIT FOR AN APPEAL, WHICH WAS
- 7 IN THIS CASE FILED ON THE 15TH DAY. AND THEN ALSO SUBMIT A
- 8 BOARD LETTER IN ORDER TO HAVE IT ON THE AGENDA WITHIN THE 30
- 9 DAYS. WE USE OUR BEST EFFORTS TO BRING THIS ELECTION TO THE
- 10 BOARD.

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- 12 SUP. ANTONOVICH: I'M REFERRING TO THE LAWSUIT THAT FARM FRESH
- 13 HAD FILED AGAINST THE DEVELOPER. AND THE COURT RULED ON THAT.

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- 15 BILL JOHNSON: MANY OF THE ISSUES THAT WERE BROUGHT UP BY MR.
- 16 ARIA AND REFERRED TO BRIEFLY BY MR. TILLMAN WERE SUBJECT TO
- 17 LITIGATION BETWEEN THE LANDLORD AND THE TENANT SOMETIME AGO.
- 18 AT THAT POINT, THEN, THEY ARE A LANDLORD-TENANT DISPUTE AND IT
- 19 WENT THROUGH THE COURT SYSTEM. IT HAD ABSOLUTELY NOTHING TO DO
- 20 WITH THE ELECTION ITSELF, WHICH IS CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE
- 21 WITH HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE REQUIREMENTS IN ITS ENTIRETY, AND
- 22 THAT IS WHAT WE'RE ASKING THE BOARD TO ADOPT TODAY.

- 24 SUP. ANTONOVICH: RIGHT. BUT WHAT DID THE COURT RULE? WHAT WAS
- 25 THE RULING ON THE COURT DECISION ON THAT TENANT DISPUTE?



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- 2 BILL JOHNSON: THE RULING WAS THAT THE LANDLORD WAS ABLE TO
- 3 TAKE THE PROPERTY ITSELF AFTER A LENGTHY, PROTRACTED
- 4 LITIGATION. IT WENT TO A TRUSTEE. AND THE TRUSTEE MADE THE
- 5 DETERMINATION, THEN, THAT THE LANDLORD COULD RETAKE THE
- 6 PROPERTY AND RELEASE IT.

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- 8 SUP. ANTONOVICH: HAS THE PROPERTY BEEN RELEASED OR LEASED
- 9 AGAIN?

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11 **BILL JOHNSON:** YES.

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- 13 SUP. ANTONOVICH: WHAT MARKET WILL BE OPENING UP THIS COMING
- 14 MONTH?

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- 16 BILL JOHNSON: SUPER KING, IS OUR UNDERSTANDING, IS THE MARKET
- 17 THAT WILL BE OPENING IN TWO WEEKS.

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- 19 SUP. ANTONOVICH: TWO WEEKS. AND THE COURT RULED THAT THE
- 20 PROPERTY OWNER HAD THE RIGHT TO TAKE THE ACTION AGAINST HIS
- 21 TENANT?

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23 BILL JOHNSON: YES.

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25 SUP. ANTONOVICH: THAT BROUGHT A LAWSUIT AGAINST HIM.

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1 BILL JOHNSON: YES. AND WE HAVEN'T SEEN ANYTHING CONTRARY TO 2 3 THAT, SUPERVISOR. 4 5 SUP. ANTONOVICH: THANK YOU. 6 7 REV. C. TILLMAN: MADAME CHAIR, MAY I HAVE JUST 30 SECONDS TO 8 DISPUTE? 9 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. KIMBERLY JOHNSON, 10 11 LENGANJI CHASE SIAME AND ETHELL JOHNSON. THANK YOU. STATE YOUR NAME. ARE YOU MISS JOHNSON? 12 13 ETHELL JOHNSON: YES. I'M ETHELL JOHNSON. KIMBERLY JOHNSON IS 14 15 MY NIECE. 16 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: IS SHE STILL HERE? 17 18 19 ETHELL JOHNSON: I DON'T KNOW. 20 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: KIMBERLY JOHNSON? 21 22 23 ETHELL JOHNSON: SHE'S ON THE D.P.S.S. SHE'S ON CHILDREN, 24 D.P.S.S. WORKER, SO I DON'T KNOW WHERE SHE IS.



1 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: SHE MUST HAVE LEFT.

- 3 ETHELL JOHNSON: WHY I'M HERE THIS MORNING IS TO CONFRONT THAT
- 4 IN THE AREA DISTRICT 2 IN COMPTON, THE CHILDREN THERE IN THE
- 5 SCHOOLS ARE VERY, VERY CROWDED. THE DISTRICT NOW IS-- I WANT
- 6 THEM TO EXPLAIN ARE THEY GOING TO STILL USE THE SHERIFF'S
- 7 DEPARTMENT IN DISTRICT 2? OR ARE THEY GOING TO USE COMPTON
- 8 P.D.? I MEAN THERE'S A RUMOR. I HATE TO HEAR RUMORS WHEN I'M
- 9 OUT THERE ON THE STREET SOMEWHERE. I ALSO WANTED TO SPEAK TO
- 10 MR. MIKE ANTONOVICH, HONORABLE MIKE. HONORABLE MIKE ANTONOVICH
- 11 I KNOW YOU SENT MY PAPERS TO SAN DIMAS AS A VETERAN AND
- 12 EVERYTHING. AND I HAVEN'T GOTTEN MY B.V.A. HEARING. I HAD THE
- 13 B.V.A. HEARING MARCH THE 27TH, AND I HAVEN'T HEARD ANYTHING
- 14 FROM ANYBODY. BUT BRIAN THAT'S OVER IN YOUR AREA, HE DID DO
- 15 THE GROUND MAINTENANCE FOR MARTIN LUTHER KING AND I DO WANT
- 16 THAT KNOWN. HE DID THE FLOORS, YOU CAN JUST SEE YOURSELF IN
- 17 IT. BUT RIGHT NOW, I'M UNDECIDED. I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR AN
- 18 ANSWER FROM THE B.V.A. HEARING FROM WASHINGTON, D.C. AND I
- 19 HAVEN'T HEARD FROM THEM. BUT AS FAR AS THE ELECTION, YOU'RE
- 20 GOING TO HEAR A WHOLE LOT OF THINGS ABOUT THE ELECTION AND
- 21 EVERYTHING LIKE THAT. BUT MY FAMILY'S TRYING TO GET ME TO COME
- 22 TO LANCASTER, YOU KNOW, MOVE DOWN THERE. BUT I LIKE THE AREA.
- 23 THE AREA'S OPENING UP FOR THE BEST, FOR THE PEOPLE, FOR ALL
- 24 MINORITIES, NOT JUST ONE MINORITY BUT ALL MINORITIES. AND I
- 25 COME HERE AND THEY MAKE ME STAY ABOUT FIVE DAYS OR SO BUT I'M



- 1 ENJOYING MYSELF. I DON'T UNDERSTAND THE QUARREL BETWEEN COUNTY
- 2 AND CITY. NOW, COUNTY GOT \$18 MILLION. THAT WAS DISTRICT 2.
- 3 THAT WAS MRS. YVONNE BURKE. SO NOW THEY'RE TRYING TO QUESTION
- 4 THE MEETING IN COMPTON AND THEY WANT TO REMOVE THE LAW
- 5 ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS FROM COMPTON AND USE THEIR OWN. AM I
- 6 CORRECT OR NOT?

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8 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: YES, PARDON ME?

10 ETHELL JOHNSON: IS THAT CORRECT?

12 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: THAT THEY'RE GOING TO DO WHAT?

14 ETHELL JOHNSON: TO REMOVE.

16 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: POLICE DEPARTMENT. WELL, IT'S UNDER THE

- 17 SHERIFF AT THIS POINT. I THINK THERE'S SOME PEOPLE DISCUSSING
- 18 THAT THEY'D RATHER HAVE THEIR OWN POLICE DEPARTMENT AGAIN. BUT
- 19 AS FAR AS I KNOW, NOTHING HAS HAPPENED IN THAT REGARD.
- 20 INFORMAL.
- 22 ETHELL JOHNSON: BECAUSE WE HAVE THE YOUTH ON ALAMEDA. IT SAYS
- 23 YOUTH COUNTY. IT'S COUNTY. THE CHILDREN DON'T HAVE A PLACE TO
- 24 GO OR ANY PLACE, BUT WE HAVE A BIG OLD VACANT LOT RIGHT THERE,
- 25 RIGHT NEXT TO THE HOUSING AUTHORITY. THOSE KIDS ARE OUT THERE.



- 1 THEY DON'T GO TO SCHOOL. THEY'RE HOMELESS. THEY DOING ALL KIND
- 2 OF THINGS. AND IT HURTS ME BECAUSE I CAME FROM THE AREA, YOU
- 3 KNOW.

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- 5 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: SOMEONE FROM OUR OFFICE WILL TALK TO YOU
- 6 ABOUT THAT PARTICULAR LOCATION.

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- 8 ETHELL JOHNSON: BUT WE NEED ALL OF YOU. WE NEED THE HELP TO
- 9 PUT THOSE CHILDREN BACK IN SCHOOL.

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11 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: AND I CERTAINLY AGREE WITH THAT.

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- 13 ETHELL JOHNSON: SEE I LOST A LOT OF FAMILY, MY MOTHER, MY
- 14 FATHER, MY SISTER AND RIGHT NOW I GOT TWO EMERGENCIES. I GOT
- 15 TWO CANCER PATIENTS.

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- 17 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. YOUR TIME HAS ELAPSED. BUT
- 18 SOMEONE FROM OUR OFFICE WILL TALK TO YOU ABOUT THE SITE THAT
- 19 YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT. I THINK IT'S IN CITY OF COMPTON.

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- 21 ETHELL JOHNSON: YEAH, WELL I STILL, I WOULD LIKE TO GET PAID
- 22 BECAUSE RIGHT NOW I'M TOO OLD.

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24 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. YES.



- 1 LENGANJI CHASE SIAME: HELLO. GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS MR.
- 2 LENGANJI CHASE SIAME. I ARRIVED IN LOS ANGELES FROM CHICAGO IN
- 3 AUGUST OF 2004 AND ENROLLED FOR CLASSES AT THE SOUTHERN
- 4 CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTURE, S.C.I.ARC. HALFWAY
- 5 THROUGH THE SEMESTER I BECAME FINANCIALLY STRANDED. I CALLED
- 6 MY MOTHER, MRS. MERCY SICHENGA SIAME IN CENTRAL AFRICA, ZAMBIA
- 7 AND ASKED FOR HER HELP. SHE SENT ME \$800 WHICH IS ALL THAT SHE
- 8 COULD SPARE AT THE TIME. MR. MICHAEL PATRICK FLETCHER FROM
- 9 CHICAGO REFUSED TO RETURN MY PHONE CALLS AND IGNORED HIS
- 10 OBLIGATIONS TO PAY ME BACK \$1200 THAT HE HAD BORROWED FROM ME.
- 11 NONETHELESS, I PERSEVERED AND STRUGGLED UNTIL I GRADUATED ON
- 12 THE 17TH OF DECEMBER, 2004. I GUESS WHAT I'M TRYING TO SAY IS
- 13 THAT I SHOULD NOT HAVE LEFT CHICAGO WITHOUT THE RIGHT KIND OF
- 14 FINANCIAL RESOURCES FOR MY TUITION AND UPKEEP HERE IN LOS
- 15 ANGELES. SOMETHING IS NOT BEING DONE RIGHT IN MY BUSINESS
- 16 ORGANIZATION. AND I DEMAND FOR AN EXPLANATION. IF THIS IS
- 17 ANOTHER CONSPIRACY BY SOME UNKNOWN PERSON TO TAKE OVER MY
- 18 ORGANIZATION, I AM IN ABSOLUTE DISAGREEMENT. I CANNOT IGNORE
- 19 MY LEADERSHIP OBLIGATIONS. I KNOW ABSOLUTELY WITH A CLEAR
- 20 RESOLVE IN MY MIND AND WITHOUT RESERVATION THAT THIS IS MY
- 21 BUSINESS ORGANIZATION BECAUSE IT HAS MANIFESTED ITSELF WITH
- 22 FINANCIAL RESOURCES OF MY OWN. SO WHAT I NEED TO KNOW IS WERE
- 23 THESE BUSINESSES ORGANIZED AND STRUCTURED UNDER A GOVERNMENT
- 24 DEPARTMENT TO ENSURE THAT THEY REMAIN VIABLE UNTIL MY ARRIVAL
- 25 HERE IN THE UNITED STATES? YOU MUST UNDERSTAND THAT THESE



- 1 BUSINESSES WERE CREATED A LONG TIME AGO WHEN I WAS JUST A
- 2 YOUNG BOY. I CANNOT THINK OF ANY OTHER ENTITY APART FROM THE
- 3 U.S. GOVERNMENT THAT COULD HAVE TAKEN CARE OF THESE BUSINESSES
- 4 SO WELL AND FOR SUCH A LONG TIME. I HAVE NOTHING MORE TO SAY
- 5 EXCEPT FOR A BIG THANK YOU TO THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT. IN
- 6 THIS REGARD, THE FIDUCIARY MEETING HAS BEEN POSTPONED.
- 7 FURTHERMORE, I WOULD LIKE TO CALL UPON YOU, THE LOS ANGELES
- 8 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO PLEASE TELL ME WHO TO CONTACT
- 9 FOR FURTHER DISCUSSIONS AS I TAKE UP MY LEADERSHIP ROLE IN MY
- 10 BUSINESS ORGANIZATION.

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- 12 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: WELL, I THINK WE'LL HAVE TO HAVE SOMEONE
- 13 FROM THE COUNTY COUNSEL EXPLAIN THAT TO YOU. WE AREN'T
- 14 PREPARED TO BE ABLE TO ANSWER THAT. BECAUSE IT INVOLVES YOUR
- 15 OWN PERSONAL BUSINESS. BUT THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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- 17 LENGANJI CHASE SIAME: SO SHOULD I WAIT FOR SOMEBODY TO COME
- 18 AND EXPLAIN TO ME?

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- 20 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: I THINK THAT FIRST OF ALL, WE DON'T GET
- 21 INVOLVED IN PERSONAL BUSINESS AND PRIVATE BUSINESS, YOU
- 22 UNDERSTAND THAT.

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24 LENGANJI CHASE SIAME: OH, YES, I UNDERSTAND THAT.



- 1 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: SO YOUR REMEDY IS THROUGH THE COURTS. AND
- 2 THE COUNTY COUNSEL CAN TELL YOU WHERE YOU GO TO FILE YOUR
- 3 LAWSUIT SO YOU CAN SUE WHOEVER IT IS THAT HAS YOUR BUSINESS.
- 4 WE DON'T GET INVOLVED IN THOSE SITUATIONS AS FAR AS PRIVATE
- 5 BUSINESSES.

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- 7 LENGANJI CHASE SIAME: EVEN WHEN THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
- 8 IS INVOLVED?

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- 10 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: ABSOLUTELY NOT. WE'D HAVE TO GO TO THE
- 11 UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT. WE ONLY HAVE AUTHORITY AS IT RELATES
- 12 TO COUNTY ISSUES. WE CAN'T GO BEYOND THAT. SO THE COUNTY
- 13 COUNSEL WILL EXPLAIN THAT TO YOU.

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- 15 LENGANJI CHASE SIAME: OKAY. SO IN OTHER WORDS THERE'S NOTHING
- 16 THAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP ME?

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18 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: ABSOLUTELY NOTHING. NOTHING. SORRY.

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- 20 LENGANJI CHASE SIAME: AT LEAST I KNOW THAT. THANK YOU VERY
- 21 MUCH.

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- 23 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SORRY WE CAN'T DO
- 24 ANYTHING. YES?



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| 2 | NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL |
| 3 | CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NUMBER C.S1 |
| 4 | CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION, |
| 5 | ITEM NUMBER C.S2, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING |
| 6 | SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, ITEM NUMBER C.S3, |
| 7 | CONSIDERATION OF DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS, AND |
| 8 | ITEMS 42 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING |
| 9 | LITIGATION PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION A, OF GOVERNMENT CODE |
| 10 | SECTION 54546.9. THANK YOU. |
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